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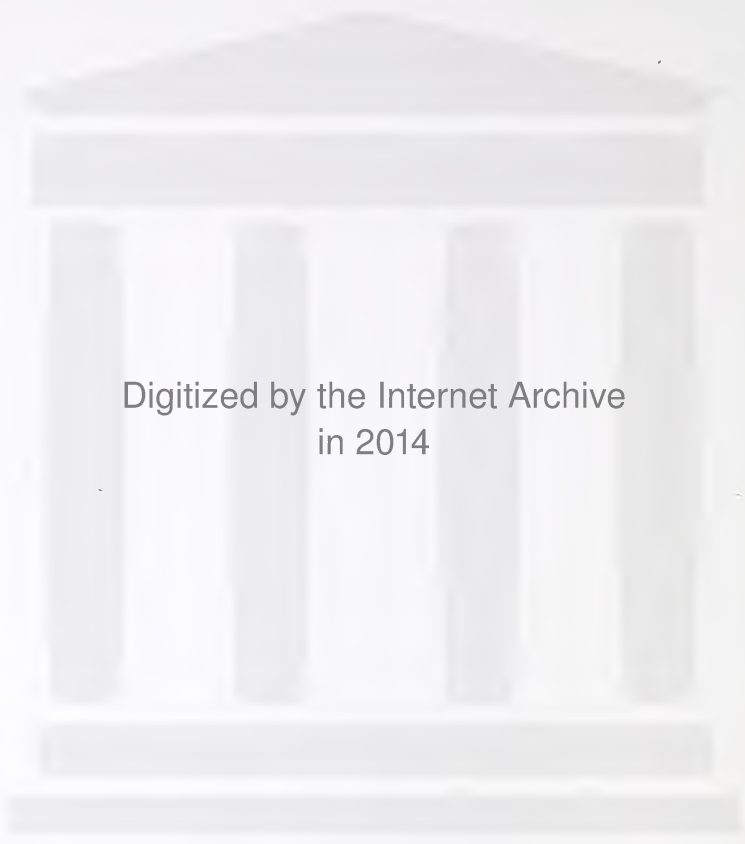
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Guiding Hands, August 5, 1986

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Town of Ashfield



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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Officers and Committees
OF THE TOWN OF
ASHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year Ending 1986

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COORDINATORS OF RESTORATION—Their job well done, Stuart Harris (left) and Arnold Jones allow themselves to feel pleasure and satisfaction.

Photo by Franklin Smith

DEDICATION

A “steeple to look up to.” — Mary Priscilla Howes

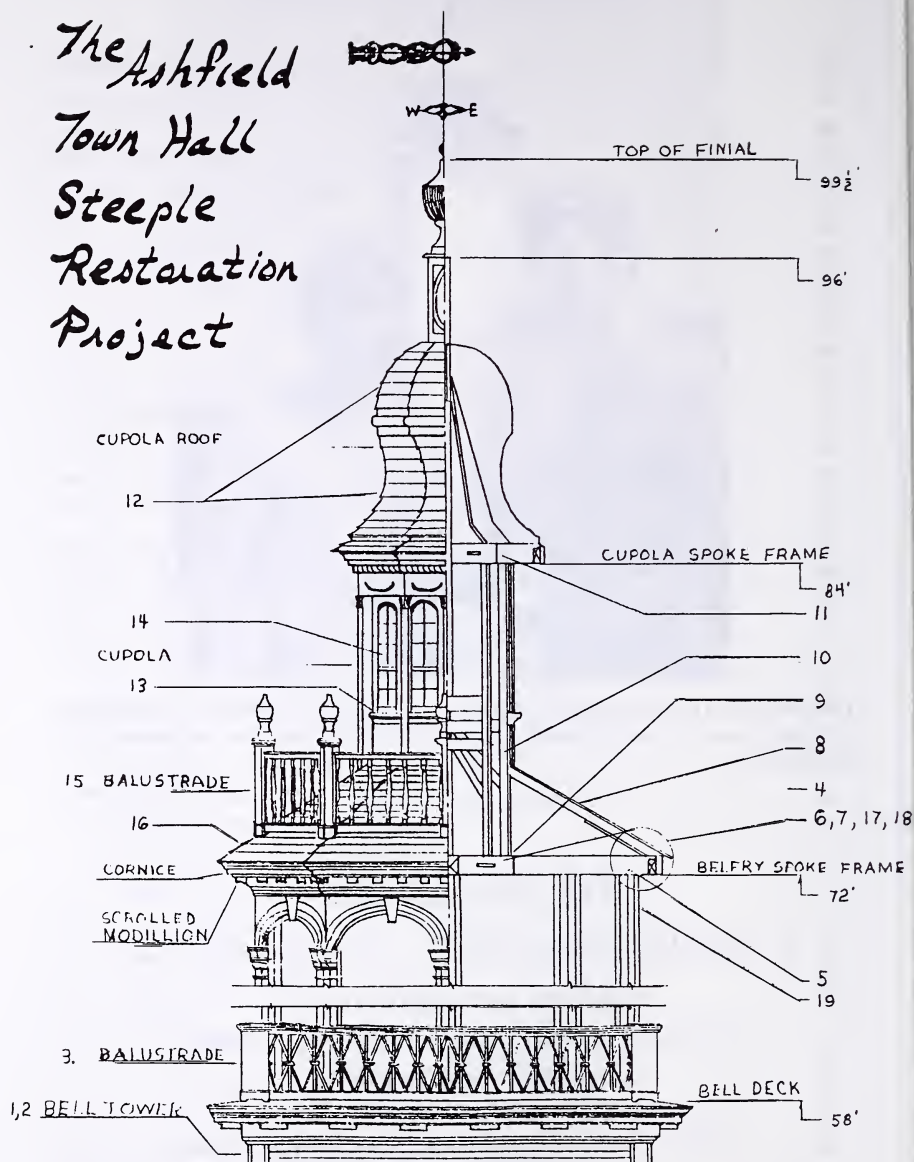
Ashfield gratefully thanks
STUART A. HARRIS, ARNOLD D. JONES
And the many individuals
who gave time, money and talent
to the restoration of the Town Hall Steeple

1984 - 1986

“They used yesterday’s lessons to preserve tomorrow’s heritage.”

— Noah Gordon

The Ashfield Town Hall Steeple Restoration Project



In commemorating the restoration of the Town Hall Steeple, let me momentarily deviate from the usual. Instead of dealing with the business aspects of town affairs, I will try to comment on the ethical and moral aspects of self government entwined with the philosophical implications of the steeple.

People with extreme political views might consider this undertaking a communist effort where everyone involved loses part of themselves to the state, be it labor or material. Nothing could be further from the truth. In this community effort everyone involved enriched their individual lives, even if it was just watching the progress. It pulled the best out of everyone and they discovered talents that they didn't realize existed within them.

How do we realize our talents? What enables us to create, feel and hear the capabilities of our mind? It is the hand, a unique organ. The hand lets us realize our talents. It is the hand of the laborer, farmer, typist and craftsmen that gives them a sense of usefulness, a sense of worth. It is the hand of the musician, artist, writer and doctor that enables them to realize their excellence and talents. It is the hand that gives us self-confidence, self-esteem and friendship. It is the hand between parent and child that transcends love and affection. It was their hands that saved the steeple. It will be our hands that will preserve our other aspects of Ashfield's culture. And to paraphrase Eric Hoffer, in this intellectual technological world, it may very well be the hand that will save civilization.

Every farmer or gardener that has picked stone knows that the Town Hall is built on a firm foundation. Up from that rise eight columns which represent about the same number of opinions that arise with every political issue. These healthy individual views are an essential base for democratic government. But the amount of independence we enjoy depends on our interdependence. The amount of freedom and quality of life depends on our trust and willingness to consider and understand other people's points of view. That heavy beam spoke at the top of the columns represents this interdependence. From this plateau we can reach higher or build a better way of life.

Unlike nature, man never reaches perfection. If we do we become inhuman and return to nature. If all our genes are earthly, why are we always reaching for the heavens? Are we trying to reach for a more altruistic way of life? Could one answer be as an Ashfield poet wrote:

 "That life is good
 And people care
 In this small town
 So fair, so fair".....

What races through your mind and stirs your heart when the Town Hall Steeple comes into view?

Bob Robertson

Caption to photo on back cover:

WORKERS TO LOOK UP TO—

Those who shared the dream, raised the money, and/or did the hands-on work included (back row, L-R) Sue Johnson, Noel and Clyde Johnson, Raymond Gray, Dick Muller, Abby Wilson, Ken Darling, Pat Pollen, Doug Nye, Norman Nye, and Jack McNiff.

Also (front row, L-R) Claudia Johnson, Doug Cranson, Dwight Scott, Norman Scott, Stuart Harris, Arnold Jones, John Nawrocki, and Richard Turner.

Complete List of Workers on the Project

The workers on the steeple at one time or another included Norm Scott, John Nawrocki, Dwight Scott, Richard Turner, Nat Smith, Doug Cranson, Doug Nye, Norm Nye, Ken Darling, Brian McGuire, Willie Gray, Richard Muller, Roger Pollen, Steve Judge and Winslow Grullemans.

Also, Jack McNiff, Bob Wilde, Steve Smithers, Charlie Buck, Raymond Gray, Wilson/Warren Woodworking, Gail Wiedmann, Abby Wilson, Sid Arje, John Dickinson, Alden Gray, the Clyde Johnson family, Merrill Field, and Bryan Gregor.

Donating or loaning materials or equipment were Bill Whitehouse, Roberts Brothers Lumber, Mary Tilley, Denny Gould, Jeff Dupree, Doug Mollison, Tom Leue, Ken Roberts, Roger Howes, Russ Loomis Sr., Gene Poissant, Tom Cranston, Rick Chandler, Doug Chandler, Ray Sears, Norm Russell, the Roland Taylor farm, the Bob Robertson farm, Mark Leue, and Fred Howes.

Also, Maurice Day, David Jackman, the Howes Brothers farm, the Kelley brothers, Richard Pree, Gordon Graves, Larry Fuller, Jr., Del Haskins, Norma Harris, Malcolm Clark, Michael Williams, Ken Kipen, Richard Pantermehl, Al Pieropan, Laurence Smeraldi, Tim Charette, Dave Pichette, Roland Taylor Jr., the Ralph Townsley farm, Theodore and Ruth Pease, Alan Lilly, Ted Howes, Ken Howes, Lil-Hi Farm, and Warner Brothers Construction Company.

Many of these people also gave their labor to the project.

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Edward M. Kennedy, Boston
432 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

John Kerry
Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Silvio O. Conte, Pittsfield
2300 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

GOVERNOR

Michael Dukakis
Brookline

STATE SENATOR

John Olver, Amherst
Room 413A State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Jonathan L. Healy, Shelburne Falls
House of Representatives, State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Everett B. Hatch, Chairman—Greenfield
Term expires January, 1987

Francis R. Pleasant, Montague
Term expires January, 1989

Margaret H. Herlihy, Deerfield
Term expires January, 1989

Town Officers

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors hold regular weekly meetings every Monday at the Town Offices in the Town Hall from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

MODERATOR

MICHAEL E.C. GERY

1 yr. terms

AUDITOR

DAVID D. NEWELL

CLERK

ELEANOR M. WARD

TREASURER

JANET M. SWEM

TREE WARDEN
RAMON R. SEARS

TAX COLLECTOR 3 yr. term

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1988

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 yr. term

THOMAS S. CARTER

Term expires 1987

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1988

ROBERT ROBERTSON, Chairman

Term expires 1989

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 3 yr. term

STEVEN A. JUDGE

Term expires 1987

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1988

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chairman

Term expires 1989

FINANCE COMMITTEE

THOMAS S. CARTER, Chairman

Term expires 1987

STEVEN A. JUDGE

Term expires 1987

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1988

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1988

THOMAS G. CRANSTON

Term expires 1989

PAUL E. SWEM

Term expires 1989

ASHFIELD—PLAINFIELD REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

M. DIANNE MULLER, Chairman

Term expires 1987

ABIGAIL A. WILSON

Term expires 1988

FRANCIS C. DUFRESNE

Term expires 1989

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

ALDEN J. GRAY

Term expires 1989

ABIGAIL A. WILSON

Representative 1986

BOARD OF HEALTH 3 yr. term

SARAH E. MILLNER

Term expires 1987

FREDERICK H. GRAVES, JR.

Term expires 1988

SIDNEY L. ARJE (Resigned 10/08/86)

Term expires 1989

THOMAS F. MURPHY (App't 11/03/86)

Term expires 1987

CONSTABLES 3 yr. term

WARREN KIRKPATRICK	Term expires 1989
JOHN A. LaBELLE	Term expires 1989
WALTER D. ZALENSKI	Term expires 1989

PARK COMMISSIONERS 3 yr. term

SUZANNE CORBETT	Term expires 1987
RICHARD G. MULLER, Chairman	Term expires 1988
KENNETH W. RILLINGS	Term expires 1989

PLANNING BOARD 5 yr. term

EMILIANNA STREETER	Term expires 1987
ELIZABETH B. BEEBE	Term expires 1988
EUGENE H. POISSANT	Term expires 1989
NORMAN C. SCOTT	Term expires 1990
MARK. W. ZENICK	Term expires 1991

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 5 yr. term

WALTER A. WHITNEY, JR., Chairman	Term expires 1987
CLAYTON C. CRAFT	Term expires 1988
ANN N. LILLY	Term expires 1989
CAROL J. PEPYNE	Term expires 1990
NOAH GORDON	Term expires 1991

THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT:

BOARD OF APPEALS

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY, Chairman	June, 1987
CLAYTON C. CRAFT	June, 1988
JOHN F. McNIFF	June, 1989
WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, Assoc.	June, 1988
KENNETH A. LILLY, Assoc.	June, 1989

ARTS COUNCIL

BEVERLY A. WILLIAMS, Chairman	October, 1987
MARY JANE JOHNSON	October, 1987
NANCY L. RILLINGS	June, 1988
RUTH K. ZENICK	June, 1988
SANDRA J. CARTER	June, 1988
JANE F. LUND	June 1988
NORMAN L. RUSSELL	June, 1988

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

DEANNE BROCHU, Chairman	June, 1987
THOMAS ULRICH	June, 1987
RUTH J. CRAFT	June, 1988
SUSAN McGOWAN	June, 1989
H. FRANKLIN SMITH, JR. (Resigned 04/14/86)	
ANNE YURYAN (App't 05/27/86)	June, 1989

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

HELEN E. DOYLE	June, 1987
NATHANIEL D. SMITH	June, 1988
JOANNE OSTROWSKI	June, 1989
ALDEN J. GRAY	June, 1990
E. WILL HEISER	June, 1991

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

HELEN E. DOYLE	June, 1987
EMILIANNA STREETER	June, 1987
EDWARD F. LAGOY	June, 1987
JOHN L. MATTIS	June, 1987
DAVID GOLD	June, 1987
DOROTHY M. HALL	June, 1987

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ROLAND D. TAYLOR	June, 1987
JOANNE OSTROWSKI	June, 1988
STEVEN W. LILLY, Chairman	June, 1988
RUSSELL V. LOOMIS, Jr.	June, 1989
MARY K. WIGMORE	June, 1989

COUNCIL ON AGING

HELENE WALKER	June, 1987
H. FRANKLIN SMITH (Resigned 01/09/87)	June, 1987
SYLVIA MONK, Chairman	June, 1988
MARIANNA T. GRAVES	June, 1989
GEORGE C. MONK	June, 1989

ENERGY RESOURCES COMMISSION

ELLIOTT MARSH	June, 1987
ETHEL KIPEN (Resigned 12/22/86)	June, 1987
DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	June, 1988
DAVID A. KNOWLES	June, 1988
PHILIP E. PLESS, Chairman	June, 1989

4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE

FRED H. REES, Chairman	July, 1987
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NUCLEAR EMERGENCY EVACUATION COMMITTEE

WALTER D. ZALENSKI	NATHANIEL D. SMITH
ROBERT Van IDERSTINE	DOUGLAS M. FIELD

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

ANGELINA M. O'DONNELL	JUNE E. FITZGERALD
RALPH S. PEASE (Resigned 8/18/86)	ELEANOR M. WARD

ASHFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE

Co-Directors

DIANNE D. FIELD	DOUGLAS M. FIELD
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CHIEF OF POLICE

WALTER D. ZALENSKI
(Resigned 5/17/86)

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN

ROBERT VanIDERSTINE

WARREN KIRKPATRICK (App't 6/1/86)

WIRING & PLUMBING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

BUILDING INSPECTOR	PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI (Plumbing Ins.)
STEVEN A. JUDGE	EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA (Wiring Ins.)

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

ROGER H. HMIELESKI

VETERANS' AGENT

EDWARD P. RUSSELL

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

RALPH W. GRAVES
LESLIE L. LADD

BURIAL AGENT

GEORGE F. BICKFORD

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

THOMAS G. POISSANT

DOG OFFICER

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

BRUCE E. WILLARD

FREDERICK W. WELLS TRUSTEE

DOUGLAS M. ANGLEMAN—May, 1987 (Resigned 4/14/86)
DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER—May, 1987 (App't 5/27/86)

FIELD DRIVERS & POUND KEEPERS

E. WILL HEISER

ROLAND E. TOWNSLEY

SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER

RAMON R. SEARS

FENCE VIEWERS

CHARLES C. GRAY

JOHN R. MOTT

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HARRY L. DODSON, Chairman

ROBERT L. DOMLESKY

JUDITH M. GRAVES

ANNE YURYAN

DOUGLAS A. CRANSON

WALTER D. ZALENSKI

ROBERT F. WILSON

RICHARD G. MULLER

RAYMOND T. CASSIDY

RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Selectmen's Report

The past twelve months have been months of change in Ashfield. Changes in personnel, schools and bodies of government are not common in our history.

Changes in personnel included the unexpected retirements and/or resignations of Walter Zalenski as Police Chief, Robert VanInderstine as Fire Chief, and Donald Graves as highway equipment operator. Also, Ralph Graves, our Highway Superintendent for 17 years, stepped down from this important, but not terribly glamorous position and resumed duties as part of the crew. The Selectmen appreciate these gentlemen for their years of loyal and conscientious service. The Selectmen's challenge was to fill these now empty positions with equally qualified, loyal and conscientious people.

The Police Chief's position was filled by Warren Kirkpatrick of Cape Street. Warren had been the Captain of the force before Walt's retirement. The Highway Superintendent's position was filled by Leslie Ladd of Hawley Road, experienced as former Highway Superintendent in Shelburne. The Selectmen met with the Firemen's Association and were informed that Chief VanInderstine would be a hard act to follow. Douglas Field of Bullitt Road has agreed to accept the Fire Chief's appointment effective July 1, 1987.

Voters in both Ashfield and Plainfield approved the establishment of the Ashfield-Plainfield Regional School District in an effort to increase state aid and reduce the local cost of elementary education.

Fiscal 1987 relieved the Board of Selectmen from Board of Health duties which had become very demanding. The first two members of the new separate Finance Committee have also been in place this year and are quite active in evaluating the town's financial position and obligations.

In the Fall of 1986 the portion of Spruce Corner Road from the intersection of Route 112 to the Gould home was blacktopped. Plans have been made to complete reconstruction of Hawley Road in 1987. The town has successfully obtained \$150,000.00 through the Small Town Road Assistance Program (S.T.R.A.P.) to reconstruct a section of Baptist Corner Road.

Progress on the proposed Community Septic System has been slow in 1987 and at this point we are waiting for final approval from the state in order to begin construction.

Ashfield's financial position under the constraints of Proposition 2½ is much like treading water with a headwind . . . you do well to stay in the same spot. At this point in time it is very difficult to make progress on any projects which require large amounts of capital without continually

depleting reserves. The Board of Selectmen are committed to adequately funding the Stabilization Fund which was established last year. This fund will someday be used to stabilize taxes by providing supplemental monies needed for occasional large expenditures.

The Board wishes to thank all elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers of the town who have helped to make 1986 a progressive year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT ROBERTSON, Chairman
DALE A. KIRKPATRICK
THOMAS S. CARTER

Financial Statement Fiscal 1986

July 1, 1985 - June 30, 1986

AMBULANCE FUND

Balance forward, July 1, 1985	\$ 6,151.73
Earnings & Gifts	3,079.80
Interest on Savings	<u>278.61</u>
	\$ 9,510.24

Medical equipment	\$ 873.35
Radios, pagers & repairs	1,935.52
Oxygen	422.12
Supplies	558.52
Telephone	636.76
Uniforms	99.96
Training	435.00
Postage, supplies, etc.	128.03
Insurance	940.50
Ambulance maint.	<u>386.64</u>
	\$ 6,416.40

Total of Ambulance Fund, June 30, 1986	\$ 3,093.84
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ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Office expenses	<u>\$ 95.77</u>
Balance to General Fund	\$ 4.23

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Appropriation	\$ 206.64
Ashfield Historical Society	<u>\$ 206.64</u>
	\$ 0.00

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$ 9,000.00
Typing & secretarial	\$ 7,581.70
Registry of Deeds	181.25
Meetings	46.00
Postage & envelopes	120.90
Office supplies	24.80
Liens	270.00
Notary fees	16.00
Computer service-tax bills	400.54
Dues	<u>38.00</u>
	\$ 8,679.19
Balance to General Fund	\$ 320.81

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING

Appropriation		\$ 2,750.00
Thomas J. Scanlon, Public accountant	<u>\$ 2,750.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

BELDING LIBRARY DRAINAGE

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)		\$ 625.84
Special Meeting, 2/24/86		
Hired equipment	<u>\$ 625.84</u>	
		\$ 0.00

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation		\$ 4,500.00
Belding Memorial Library	<u>\$ 4,500.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

BLUE CROSS - BLUE SHIELD

Appropriation		\$ 13,000.00
Expended	<u>\$ 11,978.30</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,021.70

BONDS

Appropriation		\$ 600.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>115.00</u>
Expended	\$ 715.00	\$ 715.00
		\$ 0.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation		\$ 4,779.54
Expended	<u>\$ 4,779.54</u>	
		\$ 0.00

CARE OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Ashfield Burial Ground Assoc.	<u>\$ 350.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

CHAPTER 234 - CONSTRUCTION

FISCAL 1985

Baptist Cor., Murray, Norton Hill, Bear Swamp, Bug Hill, & Spruce Cor.		
Balance Forward, 7/1/85		\$ 31,565.29
Payroll	\$ 2,638.00	
Cold patch	5,787.60	
Crushed stone	402.86	
Hired equip.	<u>440.00</u>	
	\$ 9,268.46	
Balance forward		\$ 22,296.83

CHAPTER 497 - GENERAL HIGHWAY

Balance forward, 7/1/85		\$ 7,487.52
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>263.35</u>
		\$ 7,750.77
Payroll	\$ 5,156.32	
Sand	421.84	
Bit. concrete	1,064.03	
Gravel & stone	100.58	
Hired equip.	<u>1,008.00</u>	
	\$ 7,750.77	
		\$ 0.00
Appropriation		\$ 25,000.00
Payroll	\$ 21,401.74	
Bit. concrete	335.44	
Gravel & stone	1,511.39	
Hired equip.	2,380.00	
Cold patch	1,925.00	
Trap rock	<u>433.01</u>	
	\$ 27,986.58	
Less reimbursement - State		
Hurricane Gloria damage	<u>- 8,971.00</u>	
	\$ 19,015.58	
Balance forward		\$ 5,984.42

CHAPTER 637 - FLOOD DAMAGE REPAIRS
Bug Hill, Lilliput & Pfersick Rds.

Balance forward		\$ 51,610.06
Payroll	\$ 7,078.08	
Sand	476.73	
Trap rock & gravel	2,393.11	
Hired equip.	4,665.75	
Rip-rap	477.60	
Stone	1,443.66	
Cold patch	3,992.80	
Bit. concrete	167.72	
Asphalt	4,545.28	
Guard rails	<u>491.92</u>	
	\$ 25,732.65	\$ 25,877.41
Plus reimbursement - State		
Flood damage		<u>33,476.09</u>
Balance forward		\$ 59,353.50

CIVIL DEFENSE

Balance forward, 7/1/85		\$ 100.00
Radio repairs	<u>\$ 59.50</u>	
Balance forward		\$ 40.50

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Appropriation		\$	300.00
George Bennett	\$	37.50	
Roger Hmieleski		<u>262.50</u>	
	\$	300.00	\$ 0.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Dues	\$	60.00	
Advertisements		<u>14.40</u>	
	\$	74.40	
Balance to General Fund			\$ 25.60

DOG OFFICER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>250.00</u>	
		\$	350.00
Tranquilizer equip.	\$	227.61	
Supplies		<u>53.53</u>	
	\$	281.14	
Balance to General Fund			\$ 68.86

DOG OFFICER'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$	400.00
Warren Kirkpatrick	\$	<u>400.00</u>	
			\$ 0.00

ELECTIONS

Appropriation		\$	300.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>234.50</u>	
		\$	534.50
Election officers	\$	434.50	
Voters Lists		<u>100.00</u>	
	\$	534.50	
			\$ 0.00

ENGINEERING STUDY - ASHFIELD LAKE DAM

Balance forward, 7/1/85		\$	3,397.54
Geotechnical Engineers, Inc.	\$	<u>3,397.54</u>	
			\$ 0.00

FIRES & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 7,200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>382.79</u>
		\$ 7,582.79
Payroll	\$ 2,500.00	
Gasoline	390.10	
Truck repairs	1,423.10	
Fire phone	456.41	
Station phone	511.05	
New equipment	463.83	
Equipment repair	154.51	
Supplies	277.62	
Radio repair	175.95	
Dues	115.82	
Water	26.20	
Insurance	458.00	
Building materials	545.25	
Training	<u>84.95</u>	
	\$ 7,582.79	
		\$ 0.00

FIRE STATION WEATHERSTRIPPING

Appropriation (Free Cash)	\$ 312.00
Special Meeting, 2/24/86	
Unexpended balance forward	\$ 312.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Appropriation (Free Cash)		<u>500.00</u>
Special Meeting, 2/24/86		\$ 600.00
Medical supplies	\$ 30.29	
Telephone	7.50	
Meeting & exp.	31.06	
Office equipment	<u>64.02</u>	
	\$ 132.87	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 467.13

HEATING TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$ 3,800.00
Fire Station	\$ 1,426.45	
Town Hall	<u>2,140.25</u>	
	\$ 3,566.70	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 233.30

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - PAID VACATIONS & HOLIDAYS

Appropriation		\$ 7,117.00
Expended	\$ 6,601.12	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 515.88

HIGHWAY DEPT. - SICK LEAVE

Appropriation		\$ 2,050.00
Unexpended balance forward 7/1/85		2,883.89
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Expended	\$ 1,864.40	\$ 4,933.89
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 3,069.49

HIGHWAY DEPT. - BUCKET LOADER

Appropriation (\$4,208, Taxat.;		
\$20,000 Rev. Sharing)		\$ 24,208.00
Bernardston Equipment Sales	\$ 24,208.00	
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		\$ 0.00

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation		\$ 125.00
Thomas S. Carter	\$ 83.33	
Thomas G. Poissant	41.67	
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	\$ 125.00	\$ 0.00

INSURANCE - TOWN BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 10,500.00
Appropriation (Free Cash)		11,000.00
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Special meeting, 10/28/85		\$ 21,500.00
Fleet insurance	\$ 8,432.50	
MultiPeril—Buildings	12,126.00	
Boiler insurances	459.00	
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	\$ 21,017.50	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 482.50

INSURANCE - PUBLIC OFFICIAL LIABILITY

Appropriation		\$ 1,850.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		424.00
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		\$ 2,274.00
Hastings-Tapley	\$ 2,274.00	
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		\$ 0.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation by Taxat.		
Rescinded 12/16/85		
Appropriation (Free Cash) 12/16/85		\$ 6,000.00
Balance to General Fund		<hr/>
		\$ 6,000.00

LIFEGUARD & SWIMMING INSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 3,171.50
Lifeguard & Aides	\$ 2,671.21	
Misc. expenses	<u>103.47</u>	
	\$ 2,774.68	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 396.82

MACHINERY EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 40,000.00
Parts & repairs - equip.	\$ 16,208.12	
Electricity	538.73	
Telephone	245.35	
Supplies & equip.	4,126.15	
Gas & diesel fuel	11,633.03	
Tires	3,155.88	
Concrete floor - garage	900.05	
Plow blades	2,714.87	
Radio repairs	12.50	
Safety inspections	40.00	
Water	31.00	
Plumbing	<u>38.21</u>	
	\$ 39,643.89	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 356.11

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>32.49</u>
		\$ 382.49
School band	\$ 100.00	
Flowers	135.85	
Flags	101.64	
Grave markers	<u>45.00</u>	
	\$ 382.49	
		\$ 0.00

NURSE & HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Major King Fund		<u>315.29</u>
		\$ 415.29
Visiting Nurse & Health Services	\$ <u>415.29</u>	
		\$ 0.00

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - OFFICE

Appropriation		\$ 16,000.00
Expended	\$ <u>16,000.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

PART-TIME CLERICAL - OFFICE

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>225.00</u>
		\$ 2,725.00
Expended	\$ 2,505.50	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 219.50

OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 6,000.00
Telephone	\$ 465.32	
Dues	333.00	
Supplies	294.84	
Printed forms	92.91	
Postage & envelopes	408.68	
Advertising	230.07	
Photocopy supplies	175.62	
Copier service	154.26	
Sewer Study Comm. expenses	660.47	
Plainfield Bicentennial exp.	50.00	
Meetings	126.00	
Transfer station stickers	420.00	
Jury Lists	100.00	
Fireproof file	789.88	
Share of computer costs	<u>1,350.00</u>	
	\$ 5,651.05	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 348.95

PARKS & BEACH

Appropriation		\$ 1,700.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>36.66</u>
		\$ 1,736.66
Electricity	\$ 323.80	
Telephone	123.54	
Supplies	239.87	
Water	42.75	
Beach sand	600.00	
Water tests - Lake	246.00	
Painting tennis court surface	113.00	
Printing beach passes	<u>48.00</u>	
	\$ 1,736.96	
		\$ 0.00

PARK-LAND SURVEY

Unexpended balance, 7/1/85		\$ 4,750.00
Almer Huntley, Jr. & Assoc.	\$ 4,750.00	
		\$ 0.00

PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Donation reimbursement for workshop		53.00
		<u>\$ 1,053.00</u>
Secretarial	\$ 501.76	
Advertising	153.64	
Filing fees	20.00	
Dues	50.00	
Workshop fee	300.00	
	<u>\$ 1,025.40</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 27.60

POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 19,485.00
Expended	<u>\$ 19,469.59</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 15.41

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$ 15,527.00
Appropriation (Free Cash)		989.00
		<u>\$ 16,516.00</u>
Special meeting 10/28/85		
Payroll	\$ 5,518.00	
Secretarial	888.25	
Telephone	799.46	
Cruiser repairs	1,350.02	
Radio repairs	821.00	
Insurance	2,550.70	
Gasoline	2,223.66	
Office supplies	621.57	
Meetings & dues	260.79	
Tires	128.82	
Uniforms & equip.	358.68	
Equipment repairs	347.28	
	<u>\$ 15,868.23</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 647.77

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Appropriation		\$ 250.00
Expended	<u>\$ 250.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

RENT OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,302.70
Ashfield Water Co.	<u>\$ 1,302.70</u>	
		\$ 0.00

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Appropriation		\$ 33,941.00
Expended	<u>\$ 33,941.00</u>	\$ 0.00

SANDERSON ACADEMY DRAINAGE

Unexpended balance, 7/1/85 (Fred Cross Fund)		\$ 3,500.00
William Gray	<u>\$ 438.24</u>	
Balance to Fred Cross Fund		\$ 3,061.76

SANDERSON ACADEMY - LIGHTING

Unexpended balance, 7/1/85 (Free Cash)	<u>\$ 555.00</u>
Balance to General Fund	\$ 555.00

SANDERSON ACADEMY

Appropriation		\$427,111.00
Expended	\$407,583.98	
Less overpayment refund	<u>157.00</u>	
	\$407,426.98	
Plus encumbered salaries	<u>15,811.84</u>	
	\$423,238.82	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 3,872.18

**ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Appropriation		\$ 1,933.20
Transfer from Reserve Fund		45.94
		<u>\$ 1,979.14</u>
Expended	<u>\$ 1,979.14</u>	\$ 0.00

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$266,615.34
Expended	<u>\$266,615.34</u>	\$ 0.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 3,800.00
WMECO	<u>\$ 3,794.40</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 5.60

STREET LISTING & SCHOOL CENSUS

Appropriation		\$	300.00
Reimbursement for school census			200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			30.00
		\$	530.00
Data collection	\$	300.00	
Computer service		230.00	
	\$	530.00	
		\$	0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	1,860.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			165.87
		\$	2,025.87
Postage & envelopes	\$	982.00	
Printed forms		847.25	
Supplies		53.62	
Dues		25.00	
Computer printout		105.00	
Box rent		13.00	
	\$	2,025.87	
		\$	0.00

TAX MAPPING

Unexpended balance, 7/1/85			
Revenue Sharing		\$	1,000.00
Unexpended balance forward		\$	1,000.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	650.00
Telephone	\$	447.84	
Dues		18.00	
Printed forms		41.40	
Box rent		7.00	
Postage & envelopes		128.70	
	\$	642.94	
Balance to General Fund		\$	7.06

TOWN CLERK'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$	1,700.00
Eleanor M. Ward	\$	1,700.00	
		\$	0.00

TOWN COUNSEL

Appropriation		\$	5,000.00
Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, et al	\$	2,877.28	
Balance to General Fund		\$	2,122.72

TOWN HALL & FIRE STATION SMOKE ALARM SYSTEM

Appropriation (Free Cash)

Special meeting, 2/24/86

\$ 3,051.00

Unexpended balance forward

\$ 3,051.00

TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE

Appropriation

\$ 2,500.00

Transfer from Reserve Fund

525.37

\$ 3,025.37

Janitorial	\$ 916.93
Electricity	1,390.46
Water	52.30
Supplies	55.56
Fire inspections	20.00
Public address system	43.22
Painting & repairs	246.50
Insulated drapes	224.40
Furnace repair	76.00
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	\$ 3,025.37

\$ 0.00

TOWN HALL - STRUCTURAL REPAIR

Unexpended balance, 7/1/85 (Fred Cross)

\$ 2,800.00

Roof repairs \$ 351.50

Repairs to windows 1,703.70

\$ 2,055.20

Unexpended balance forward

\$ 744.80

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation

\$ 4,990.00

Dale Kirkpatrick	\$ 416.64
Russell Loomis, Selectman	166.66
Thomas Carter, Selectman	250.00
Robert Robertson, Selectman	500.00
Steven Judge, Assessor	600.00
Elisabeth Nye, Assessor	600.00
Malcolm Clark, Assessor	600.00
Michael E.C. Gery, Moderator	20.00
Marian Fitzgerald, Tax Collector	700.00
Robert VanDerstine, Fire Chief	500.00
M. Dianne Muller, School Comm.	150.00
Steven Tilley, School Comm.	150.00
Abigail Wilson, School Comm.	150.00
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	\$ 4,803.30

Balance to General Fund

\$ 186.70

TOWN REPORTS & BALLOTS

Appropriation		\$ 2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>585.03</u>
		\$ 2,585.03
Ballots	\$ 542.90	
Voters Lists	100.00	
Town Reports	<u>1,942.13</u>	
	\$ 2,585.03	
		\$ 0.00

TRANSFER STATION

Appropriation		\$ 25,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>1,433.80</u>
		\$ 26,433.80
Dump attendant	\$ 5,094.04	
Electricity	283.08	
Telephone	237.14	
Hauling & rental of equip.	15,345.00	
Landfill disposal	3,793.14	
Rent of land	500.00	
Supplies	7.90	
Hired equipment	1,017.50	
Recycling station	<u>156.00</u>	
	\$ 26,433.80	
		\$ 0.00

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Postage & envelopes	\$ 453.82	
Computer rental	300.00	
Filing fees	30.00	
Printed forms & checks	149.65	
Supplies	29.51	
Box rent	<u>13.00</u>	
	\$ 975.98	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 24.02

TREASURER'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Janet M. Swern	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>	
		\$ 0.00

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		\$ 2,800.00
Payroll	\$ 1,847.75	
Hired equipment	<u>414.50</u>	
	\$ 2,262.25	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 537.75

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,000.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Major King Fund		<u>1,154.26</u>
		\$ 1,254.26
Expended	\$ 1,254.26	
		\$ 0.00

VETERANS' CENTER

Appropriation		\$ 3,223.96
Western Franklin Veterans' Center	\$ 3,223.96	
		\$ 0.00

WESTERN MASS INTERVENTION

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Western Mass. Coalition of Gov't Inst.	\$ 200.00	
		\$ 0.00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation		\$ 45,000.00
Appropriation (Free Cash)		20,000.00
Special Meeting, 2/24/86		
Transfer Reserve Fund		<u>32.93</u>
		\$ 65,032.93
Payroll	\$ 40,462.32	
Winter sand	13,916.64	
Salt	10,316.85	
Repairs—Bit. concrete	<u>337.12</u>	
	\$ 65,032.93	
		\$ 0.00

WORKMENS' COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$ 8,900.00
Hastings-Tapley	\$ 8,201.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 699.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)		\$ 5,000.00
Ashfield Plainfield Reg. Sch. Comm.	\$ 45.94	
Bonds	115.00	
Chapter 497	263.35	
Dog Officer Expenses	250.00	
Elections	234.50	
Fires & Equip.	382.79	
Insurance - Pub. Off. Liability	<u>424.00</u>	

Memorial Day	32.49
Office-Clerical	225.00
Parks	36.96
Street Lists	30.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	165.87
Town Hall	525.37
Town Reports	585.03
Transfer Station	1,433.80
Winter Roads	32.93

\$ 4,783.03

Balance to Overlay Surplus

\$ 216.97

ASHFIELD COMMUNITY SEPTIC SYSTEM & SEWERS

Fund Balance, 7/1/85	\$141,024.97
Interest earned	<u>9,041.39</u>
	\$150,066.36

Land purchase	\$ 10,000.00
Groundwater rights	35,000.00
Agric. Pres. Restrictions	35,000.00
Interest paid on Loans	10,296.83
Legal fees	<u>10,495.02</u>
	\$100,791.85

Fund Balance, 6/30/86

\$ 49,274.51

LAND PURCHASE - BRONSON AVENUE

Appropriation	\$ 1.00
Duncan Colter	<u>\$ 1.00</u>
	\$ 0.00

LAND EASEMENT - BRONSON AVENUE

Appropriation	\$ 1,400.00
Paul Cohen	<u>\$ 1,400.00</u>
	\$ 0.00

FEASIBILITY STUDY - WEST END OF LAKE

Appropriation (Free Cash)	<u>\$ 4,500.00</u>
Unexpended balance forward	\$ 4,500.00

ENGINEERING STUDY - EXCLUSION ZONE

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)	\$ 5,000.00
Special meeting, 10/28/85	
Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc.	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
	\$ 0.00

Town of Ashfield

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1986

ASSETS

Cash:

General	\$ 481,743.96	
Federal Revenue Sharing	31,979.39	
Ambulance	3,093.84	
Sewer Fund	<u>49,606.07</u>	
		\$ 566,423.26

Accounts Receivable:

Real Estate Taxes:

Levy of 1976-1981	\$ 904.12	
Levy of 1982	274.15	
Levy of 1983	692.55	
Levy of 1984	4,010.60	
Levy of 1985	9,198.81	
Levy of 1986	<u>51,176.29</u>	
		\$ 66,256.52

Personal Property Taxes:

Levy of 1974	\$ 57.38	
Levy of 1975	126.24	
Levy of 1976	372.72	
Levy of 1977	57.19	
Levy of 1978	63.82	
Levy of 1979	206.85	
Levy of 1980	36.46	
Levy of 1981	5.31	
Levy of 1982	129.72	
Levy of 1983	399.04	
Levy of 1984	373.90	
Levy of 1985	137.18	
Levy of 1986	<u>1,132.23</u>	
		\$ 3,098.04

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1973	\$ 492.89	
Levy of 1974	808.23	
Levy of 1975	1,041.98	
Levy of 1976	1,648.67	
Levy of 1977	609.86	
Levy of 1978	2,208.91	
Levy of 1979	1,563.13	
Levy of 1980	1,818.93	
Levy of 1981	350.65	
Levy of 1982	400.88	
Levy of 1983	711.54	
Levy of 1984	1,466.04	
Levy of 1985	1,647.01	
Levy of 1986	<u>10,394.17</u>	
		\$ 25,162.89
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1986		\$ 5.17
Forest Products Tax:		
Levy of 1984		\$ 20.00
State Aid to Highway	\$ 53,896.00	
Federal Grant Receivable - Sewer	779,646.00	
State Grant Receivable - Sewer	127,211.00	
County Dog	<u>480.00</u>	
		\$ 961,233.00
Loans Authorized		500,000.00
Due from Fred Cross Trust Fund		6,300.00
Interest to be Raised		20,358.50
Highway Chapter 234		<u>4,176.67</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,153,034.05
 LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		
Withholding Taxes Payable		\$ 605.83
Temporary Notes:		
Anticipation of Grant		\$ 200,000.00
Overlays:		
1974-1982	\$ 2,233.96	
1983	1,091.59	
1984	4,384.50	
1985	9,335.99	
1986	<u>26,557.89</u>	
		\$ 43,603.93
Overlay Surplus		\$ 113,769.59
Revenues Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 25,162.89	
State Aid to Highway	53,896.00	
Sewer Grant Revenue	<u>706,857.00</u>	
		\$ 785,915.89

Trust Fund Income:		
Belding Endowment Trust Fund		\$ (615.25)
Unexpended Balances:		
Ambulance Fund	\$ 3,093.84	
Park Funds	440.15	
Fourth of July Fund	1,183.01	
Steeple Fund	11,365.46	
Town Hall Restoration Fund	190.00	
Council on Aging Grant	108.61	
Dog Licenses	478.75	
Arts Council Grant	25.00	
Chapter 811 Grant	50,780.00	
Chapter 637 Grant	58,880.00	
Insurance Claim Reimbursement -		
Boilers	9,400.00	
Dog Refund	616.44	
Road Machinery Fund	1,113.04	
School Improvement Grant	83.58	
School Lunch Revolving	8,374.95	
Professional Development Grant	\$ (3,991.00)	
Music Money	291.94	
State Energy Grant	5,784.00	
Division of Water Pollution Control	13,111.00	
		\$ 161,328.77
Loans Authorized and Unissued		500,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund		30,979.39
Sewer Project Balance		49,606.07
Appropriation Balances:		
General	\$ 19,024.12	
Federal Revenue Sharing	1,000.00	
		\$ 20,024.12
Surplus Revenue		247,815.71
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		<u><u>\$2,153,034.05</u></u>

THOMAS J. SCANLON
Public Accountant

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

July 1, 1985 - June 30, 1986

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1973

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 1,629.48
Refund		29.64

Abatements	\$ 1,069.76	
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1972	7.43	
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Payment to Treasurer	66.83	
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Outstanding 6-30-86	515.10	
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	\$ 1,659.12	\$ 1,659.12
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1974

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 1,465.77
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Abatements	\$ 630.86	
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Payment to Treasurer	26.88	
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Outstanding 6-30-86	808.23	
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	\$ 1,465.77	\$ 1,465.77
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1975

Outstanding 6/30/85		\$ 1,955.13
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Abatements	\$ 866.95	
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Payments to Treasurer	46.20	
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Outstanding 6-30-86	1,041.98	
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	\$ 1,955.13	\$ 1,955.13
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1976

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 2,376.87
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Abatements	727.37	
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Payments to Treasurer	28.05	
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Outstanding 6-30-86	1,621.45	
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	\$ 2,376.87	\$ 2,376.87
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1977

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 848.37
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Abatements	\$ 208.53	
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Payment to Treasurer	29.98	
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Outstanding 6-30-86	609.86	
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	\$ 848.37	\$ 848.37
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1978

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 3,043.00
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Correction		49.52
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Abatements	507.11	
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Payments to Treasurer	326.98	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>2,258.43</u>	
	\$ 3,092.52	\$ 3,092.52
1979		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 2,363.94
Abatements	\$ 512.60	
Payments to Treasurer	288.21	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>1,563.13</u>	
	\$ 2,363.94	\$ 2,363.94
1980		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 2,270.49
Commitment Correction		49.50
Abatements	300.31	
Payments to Treasurer	200.75	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>1,818.93</u>	
	\$ 2,319.99	\$ 2,319.99
1981		
Outstanding 6/30/85		\$ 532.23
Abatements	\$ 129.90	
Payments to Treasurer	51.68	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>350.65</u>	
	\$ 532.23	\$ 532.23
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 507.26
Commitment		2.00
Abatements	\$ 54.00	
Payments to Treasurer	60.63	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>394.63</u>	
	\$ 509.26	\$ 509.26
1983		
Outstanding 6/30/85		\$ 1,539.24
Abatements	\$ 6.58	
Correction	148.22	
Payments to Treasurer	672.90	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>711.54</u>	
	\$ 1,539.24	\$ 1,539.24
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 2,378.33
Commitment		49.16
Corrections		153.75
Refunds		72.73

Abatements	\$ 18.75	
Corrections	83.49	
Payments to Treasurer	984.75	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>1,566.98</u>	
	\$ 2,653.97	\$ 2,653.97

1985

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 9,872.21
Commitments		14,116.74
Refunds		710.44
Correction		93.94
Abatements	\$ 1,033.02	
Payments to Treasurer	22,028.86	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>1,731.45</u>	
	\$ 24,793.33	\$ 24,793.33

1986

Commitments		\$ 42,990.13
Refunds		97.00
Abatements	\$ 1,368.25	
Payments to Treasurer	31,424.07	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>10,294.81</u>	
	\$ 43,087.13	\$ 43,087.13

REAL ESTATE

1976

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 20.56
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>\$ 20.56</u>	
	\$ 20.56	\$ 20.56

1982

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 354.27
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 124.02	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>230.25</u>	
	\$ 354.27	\$ 354.27

1983

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 3,120.51
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 2,427.96	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>692.55</u>	
	\$ 3,120.51	\$ 3,120.51

1984

Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 15,114.02
Correction	\$ 172.76	
Payments to Treasurer	13,206.74	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>1,734.52</u>	
	\$ 15,114.02	\$ 15,114.02

1985		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 45,098.12
Corrections		1,849.59
Refunds		333.72
Abatements	\$ 175.00	
Payment to Treasurer	37,999.20	
Outstanding 6-30-86	9,107.23	
	<u>\$ 47,281.43</u>	<u>\$ 47,281.43</u>
1986		
Commitment 6-30-85		\$679,894.62
Refunds		1,257.78
Corrections		58.65
Abatements	\$ 6,285.46	
Corrections	283.59	
Payments to Treasurer	631,999.31	
Outstanding 6-30-86	42,642.69	
	<u>\$681,211.05</u>	<u>\$681,211.05</u>

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1974		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 57.58
Outstanding 6-30-86	\$ 57.38	
	<u>\$ 57.38</u>	<u>\$ 57.38</u>
1975		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 126.24
Outstanding 6-30-86	\$ 126.24	
	<u>\$ 126.24</u>	<u>\$ 126.24</u>
1976		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 387.12
Abatements	\$ 14.40	
Outstanding 6-30-86	372.72	
	<u>\$ 387.12</u>	<u>\$ 387.12</u>
1977		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 60.04
Abatements	\$ 2.85	
Outstanding 6-30-86	57.19	
	<u>\$ 60.04</u>	<u>\$ 60.04</u>
1978		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 93.34
Abatements	\$ 29.52	
Outstanding 6-30-86	63.82	
	<u>\$ 93.34</u>	<u>\$ 93.34</u>

1979		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 235.12
Abatements	\$ 28.27	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>206.85</u>	
	\$ 235.12	\$ 235.12
1980		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 66.89
Abatements	\$ 15.64	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>51.25</u>	
	\$ 66.89	\$ 66.89
1981		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 133.58
Abatements	\$ 2.90	
Payments to Treasurer	125.37	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>5.31</u>	
	\$ 133.58	\$ 133.58
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 427.03
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 253.41	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>173.62</u>	
	\$ 427.03	\$ 427.03
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 519.72
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 120.68	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>399.04</u>	
	\$ 519.72	\$ 519.72
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 565.98
Corrections	\$ 92.12	
Payments to Treasurer	99.96	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>373.90</u>	
	\$ 565.98	\$ 565.98
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 1,239.86
Refunds		73.08
Corrections		1,302.54
Adjustments		77.52
Adjustment	\$.08	
Abatements	8.64	
Payments to Treasurer	2,494.76	
Outstanding 6-30-86	<u>189.52</u>	
	\$ 2,693.00	\$ 2,693.00

1986		
Commitment		\$ 33,730.11
Refund		81.53
Abatements	\$ 259.54	
Payments to Treasurer	22,467.74	
Outstanding 6-30-86	11,984.36	
	<u>\$ 33,811.64</u>	<u>\$ 33,811.64</u>

FARM ANIMAL

1982		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 319.20
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 319.20	
	<u>\$ 319.20</u>	<u>\$ 319.20</u>
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 280.95
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 280.95	
	<u>\$ 280.95</u>	<u>\$ 280.95</u>
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-85		\$ 353.70
Correction	\$ 8.15	
Payment to Treasurer	345.55	
	<u>\$ 353.70</u>	<u>\$ 353.70</u>
1985		
Commitment		\$ 5,990.40
Corrections		417.59
Refunds		2.00
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 6,404.99	
	<u>\$ 6,404.99</u>	<u>\$ 6,404.99</u>

CLASSIFIED FOREST

1986		
Commitment		\$ 359.07
Corrections		283.59
Corrections	\$ 58.65	
Payments to Treasurer	576.33	
Outstanding 6-30-86	7.86	
	<u>\$ 642.66</u>	<u>\$ 642.66</u>

FOREST PRODUCTS

Commitment		\$ 376.94
Payments to Treasurer	356.94	
Outstanding 6-30-86	20.00	
	<u>\$ 376.94</u>	<u>\$ 376.94</u>

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD
Tax Collector

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
10	Jennifer Claire Byrnes	Beverly (Wallace) & Thomas Byrnes
FEBRUARY		
7	Laura Mae Murphy	Catherine (Frey) & Thomas Murphy
20	Shaun Ryan Finn	Ann Marie (Tremblay) & Donald Finn
21	Timothy James Williams	Rosanne (Frankel) & Michael Williams
MARCH		
10	Lindsey Anne McCartney-Margolis	Sheryl Margolis & Pate McCartney
12	Aislinn Renee Cote-Small	Linda (Cote) & Edward Cote-Small
23	Kristen April Maynard	Sandra (Cleary) & James Frenier
23	Stephanie Ann Lovering	Vickie (Boisvert) & Ralph Lovering Jr.
MAY		
25	Ian Edgar Burgin	Jacquelyn (Magnant) & Edgar Burgin
JUNE		
13	George Gregory Keefe, Jr.	Rosemarie (Smith) & George Keefe
19	Jessica Muriel Porter-Hugus	Tonia (Ortiz) & Charles Hugus
JULY		
3	Jayshalee Marie Griswold	Laurie (Ovitt) & Dale Griswold

17	Meredith Frances Carter	Sandra (Jennings) & Thomas Carter
22	Jared Freniere	Christine (St. Jean) & Gary Freniere
23	Walter Edgar Martin III	Beth (Burrows) & Edgar Martin II

AUGUST

31	Stuart Van Cortlandt Duncan Smith	Beverly Duncan & Nathaniel Smith
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DECEMBER

10	Charles Michael Mathers	Bernadette (Danylieko) & George Mathers
26	Alicia Marie Hemingway	Lisa (Richardson) & Brian Hemingway

MARRIAGES

Date	Names & Residences	Place of Marriage
JANUARY		
4	Dean L. Kavanagh, Longmeadow Eunice K. Gray, Longmeadow	Ashfield
FEBRUARY		
14	George C. Mathers, Ashfield Bernadette Danylieko, Ashfield	Ashfield
MAY		
31	Paul H. Denton, Morristown, NJ Deborah E. Buck, Morristown, NJ	Amherst
JUNE		
8	Robert A. Miller, Charlemont Ellen M. Frankhouser, Ashfield	Ashfield
JULY		
19	Walter D. Craven, Ashfield Debra J. Burnett, Ashfield	Ashfield

AUGUST

23	Richard K. Heneghan, Burlington, MA Bonnie J. Robertson, Ashfield	Ashfield
23	Fred H. Rees, Ashfield Susan B. Ashe, Ashfield	Ashfield

SEPTEMBER

6	Andrew E. Smith, Ashfield Nancy Ashkin, Ashfield	Charlemont
27	Philip L. Libby, Greenwich, CT Regina M. Pirrone, Greenwich, CT	Ashfield

OCTOBER

10	Paul W. Maynard, Ashfield Sandra L. Frenier, Ashfield	Ashfield
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Note: Only those marriages wherein the license is issued from Ashfield may be recorded here.

DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
JANUARY			
23	Grace (Barnes) Howes	Greenfield	79
FEBRUARY			
4	Frank Eldridge	Shelburne	80
16	Patricia (Nuland) Chandler	Ashfield	33
22	Paul Nukas	Greenfield	97
MARCH			
4	Barbara (Sauter) Sears	Northampton	46
20	Hortense (Webb) Howes	Northampton	86
20	Bernice (Boucher) Versailles	Ashfield	56
APRIL			
21	Rena Molta	Greenfield	64
JUNE			
18	Eva (Cilinska) Grechel	Greenfield	90
24	Gertrude (MacDermott) Roessle	Ashfield	90
30	Arthur Kirsch	Montague	81

JULY

18	Esther (Fabbry) DiLuzio	Ashfield	75
21	Robert Wagner	Greenfield	57

SEPTEMBER

25	Alice (Suliz) Fritz	Ashfield	71
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NOVEMBER

8	Theodore Pease	Greenfield	94
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DECEMBER

27	Harvey Orr	Ashfield	73
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Note: Any errors or omissions should be reported to the Town Clerk

ELECTIONS AND BALLOTING

	Votes Cast	Reg. Voters
Special Election, January 7, 1986	510	1,005
Annual Election, May 3, 1986	470	955
Special Election, May 31, 1986	208	959
State Primary, September 16, 1986	142	965
State Election, November 14, 1986	598	980

FISH & GAME LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

42	Res. Fishing @ 12.50	\$ 525.00
30	Res. Hunting @ 12.50	375.00
39	Res. Sporting @ 19.50	760.50
3	Res. Minor Fishing @ 6.50	19.50
2	Non-Res. Fishing @ 17.50	35.00
1	Non-Res. 7-day Fishing @ 11.50	11.50
1	Res. Minor Trapping @ 8.50	8.50
1	Res. Trapping @ 20.50	20.50
4	Duplicates @ 2.00	8.00
3	Non-Res. Hunting (Big Game) @ 48.50	145.50
24	Res. Sporting (Over 70)	Free
2	Res. Fishing (Paraplegic, etc.)	Free
1	Res. Hunting (Paraplegic, etc.)	Free
2	Res. Fishing (65-69) @ 6.25	12.50
4	Res. Hunting (65-69) @ 6.25	25.00
5	Res. Sporting (65-69) @ 9.75	48.75
14	Archery Stamps @ 5.10	71.40
9	Mass Waterfowl Stamps @ 1.25	11.25
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		\$ 2,077.90
Paid to Commonwealth		\$ 2,007.75
Fees Retained		70.15
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		\$ 2,077.90

DOG LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

88	Males @ 3.00	\$ 264.00
12	Females @ 6.00	72.00
107	Spayed Females @ 3.00	321.00
6	Kennel (4 dogs) @ 10.00	60.00
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		\$ 717.00
Paid to Town Treasurer		\$ 557.25
Fees Retained		159.75
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		\$ 717.00

Respectfully submitted,
ELEANOR M. WARD
Town Clerk

Ashfield Burial Ground Association Burials

Supplemental to Town Clerk's Report

SEPTEMBER 1, 1985 - DECEMBER 31, 1986

	Date of Death	Age
Plain Cemetery		
Carmen J. DeLuca III	9/12/85	23
Phyllis Graves	9/26/85	54
Rose B. Harlow	10/03/85	90
Mark S. Ranney	11/03/85	20
Dean B. Luce	11/09/85	56
Douglas R. Graves	12/11/85	70
Patricia A. Williams	12/27/85	42
James J. Melia	1/19/86	59
Frank A. Eldridge	2/04/86	80
Alice M. Graves	3/05/86	
Hortense Howes	3/20/86	86
Howard R. Jenkins	4/27/86	85
Donald D. Craft	5/06/86	74
Luther Franklin Burnett	5/10/86	90
Bessie O. (Handfield) Shippee	8/15/86	92
Gerard M. Davis	8/21/86	69
Laurence L. Ranney	10/18/86	82
Hill Cemetery		
Grace (Barnes) Howes	7/23/86	79
So. Ashfield Cemetery		
Patricia Chandler	2/16/86	33
Paul Nukas	2/22/86	97

**GEORGE F. BICKFORD
Burial Agent**

Treasurer's Report

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1986

Balance of cash at July 1, 1985	\$ 748,524.39
Cash Received	1,821,015.33
Cash Disbursements	(1,814,194.20)
Balance of Cash at June 30, 1986	<u>\$ 755,345.52</u>

Balance consists of:

Bank of Boston, Western Mass, N.A.:

General Fund	\$ 633.66
Ambulance Fund	3,093.84

M.M.D.T.:

General Account	261,288.36
Highway Fund—Chapter 811	50,945.49
Energy Grant	5,946.80
Revenue Sharing	31,979.39

Heritage Savings Bank:

Eliza Miller Acct.	8,861.02
Salmon Miller Acct.	17,462.02

Bay Bank:

General Fund	161,133.86
Sewer Account	49,274.51

United Savings Bank:

General Fund	2,127.35
Fred Cross—General Fund	65,834.08
Fred Cross—Library	5,000.00
Fred Cross—Cemetery	2,000.00
Trust Funds	76,691.19
Cemetery Funds	1,543.22

Shawmut Bank:

Milo Belding, Jr. Endow.— Park/Library	<u>11,530.73</u>
	<u>\$ 755,345.52</u>

Presentation of Cash:

General Fund:	\$ 482,075.52
Ambulance Fund:	3,093.84
Sewer Fund:	49,274.51
Revenue Sharing:	31,979.39
Trust Funds:	<u>188,922.26</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 755,345.52</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JANET M. SWEM, Treasurer

Report of the Fire Department

Since this is my final report as Fire Chief, I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and the members of the Fire Department for their unfailing support during my tenure as Fire Chief for the past 20 years. I have thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie with all of the fire department members and deeply appreciated the way the firefighters have always pulled together as a team. Although I will no longer be "the Chief", I still plan to be an active member of the Fire Department.

Steve Steiner and Will Heiser resigned from the department in 1986. Four new members who joined this year are Linda Hmiesleski, Jim Recore, Ron Anderson and Kim Reardon. Ashfield Firemen's Association donations to the Town of Ashfield totalled \$3,844.10 and were spent as follows: Purchase of 3 Pagers, portable radio, binoculars, memorial plaque and half the cost of a CPR baby doll. Litter bags were purchased and handed out, donations made to the CPR class, Mohawk Dance Band, 4th of July celebration, Ambulance Fund and the Pee Wee League.

Smoke detector inspections were performed at 33 homes as required prior to refinancing or sale of property. The assessed valuation of property involved in fire emergencies during the year was \$1,476,262.00. Property losses totalled \$47,081 but insurance payment was only \$22,573; the balance not covered was \$24,508. As our town grows, so does the number of clients served by the Fire Department as the following log proves.

The daily log of response runs during the year is as follows:

1-06-86	10:20 a.m.	Mutual aid to Conway	
1-07-86	1:10 p.m.	Williamsburg Rd.	Chimney fire
1-15-86	8:10 a.m.	Barnes Rd.	Chimney fire
1-23-86	11:15 a.m.	Bronson Ave.	Chimney fire
1-24-86	6:20 a.m.	Ashfield Mountain	Plugged chimney
2-01-86	2:30 p.m.	Bug Hill	Plugged chimney
2-01-86	7:50 p.m.	Rte. 116, So. Ashfield	False alarm
2-15-86	2:12 p.m.	Buckland Rd.	Plugged chimney
2-21-86	9:00 a.m.	Steady Lane	False alarm
3-04-86	8:25 a.m.	Plainfield Rd.	Chimney fire
3-15-86	1:27 p.m.	Buckland Rd.	Chimney fire
3-25-86	2:13 p.m.	Main St.	Brush fire
3-29-86	1:12 p.m.	Phillips Rd.	Grass fire
3-29-86	3:18 p.m.	Mutual aid to Conway	
3-29-86	5:35 p.m.	Phillips Rd.	Skidder fire
3-29-86	5:35 p.m.	Phillips Rd.	Brush fire
3-30-86	9:58 p.m.	Brown Rd.	Brush fire
4-01-86	9:15 a.m.	Ranney Corner Rd.	Brush fire
4-02-86	3:05 p.m.	Bear Swamp Rd.	Brush fire
4-05-86	1:55 p.m.	Rt. 116, So. Ashfield	Structure fire
4-06-86	3:46 p.m.	Buckland Rd.	Chimney fire
4-17-86	10:15 a.m.	Beldingville Rd.	Brush fire

4-17-86	5:09 p.m.	Mutual aid to Conway	
4-17-86	5:27 p.m.	Stand by - Conway	
4-18-86	12:48 p.m.	West Rd.	Brush fire
4-20-86	5:23 p.m.	Stand by - Conway	
4-25-86	12:23 a.m.	Rte. 116, So. Ashfield	Brush & car fire
4-28-86	4:15 p.m.	West Rd.	Brush fire
4-28-86	5:55 p.m.	West Rd.	Brush fire
5-03-86	3:35 p.m.	Beldingville Rd.	Grass fire
5-31-86	10:45 p.m.	Cape St.	Structure fire
6-01-86	3:54 p.m.	Jct. Rtes. 112-116	Auto accident
6-06-86	8:50 p.m.	Ashfield Mountain	Auto accident
6-12-86	5:35 a.m.	Mutual aid to Plainfield	
7-06-86	2:15 a.m.	Ashfield Mountain	Auto accident
7-29-86	5:02 p.m.	Mutual aid to Conway	
7-29-86	5:50 p.m.	John Ford Rd.	False alarm
7-29-86	5:50 p.m.	Spruce Corner Rd.	Structure fire
7-29-86	9:00 p.m.	Buckland Rd.	False alarm
8-05-86	10:00 p.m.	Mutual aid to Conway	
8-22-86	1:45 p.m.	Hawley Rd.	Brush fire
8-22-86	5:15 p.m.	Main St.	Propane gas leak
9-06-86	3:15 p.m.	Bird Hill Rd.	Gasoline & oil leak
9-13-86	11:16 a.m.	North St.	Wiring problem
9-15-86	7:12 p.m.	Ashfield Mountain	Chimney fire
10-04-86	1:10 p.m.	Sears Rd.	Smoke investigation
10-06-86	4:15 p.m.	Bronson Ave.	Fallen wires
10-21-86	4:30 p.m.	Rte. 116, So. Ashfield	Electric stove fire
11-07-86	5:30 a.m.	Bronson Ave.	Smoke investigation
11-15-86	9:18 a.m.	Watson Spruce Cor. Rd.	Smoke investigation
11-19-86	1:00 a.m.	Ashfield Mountain	Auto accident
11-26-86	12:35 p.m.	Buckland Rd.	Medical emergency
11-27-86	4:40 a.m.	Cape St.	Chimney fire
12-05-86	9:55 a.m.	Williamsburg Rd.	Truck accident
12-06-86	8:01 a.m.	Spruce Cor. Rd.	Structure fire
12-08-86	4:00 a.m.	Smith Rd.	Smoke investigation
12-19-86	8:00 a.m.	Steady Lane	Chimney fire
12-23-86	10:50 a.m.	Spruce Cor. Rd.	Appliance overheated

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT VanIDERSTINE
Fire Chief

Western Franklin Veterans Service Center

To the Selectmen:

This is my final report as Director of this Center for the past number of years. It is time for a change. I have experienced very real satisfaction of working with very fine people to serve great people—The Veterans and their families. I shall miss them all.

During the year we were called upon to give financial help to twenty-nine (29) Veterans and their families. The money was used to provide aid as follows:

Ordinary Benefits	\$12,865.14	Doctors	\$ 1,176.65
Nursing/Rest Homes	\$ 6,230.04	Hospitals	\$ 2,585.91
Medical Bills	\$ 1,119.99	Fuel	\$ 766.63
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,009.93	Total	\$26,754.29

The following listed Towns provided the amount of money indicated and they will be reimbursed by the State up to 75%:

Ashfield	\$ 1,244.68	Colrain	\$ 5,054.50
Buckland	\$11,061.66	Plainfield	\$ 1,393.75
Charlemont	\$ 541.38	Shelburne	\$ 7,458.32

Total \$26,754.29

We were able to provide assistance to the survivors of twenty (20) Veterans who passed away during the fiscal year of 1986. Applications for free Government gravemarkers and for Burial Benefits were submitted to the Veterans Administration. Applicable VA Pension claims were also processed.

Miscellaneous activities in the Center consisted of preparation of Tax Abatements for Veterans with VA Service-Connected disabilities and in providing Notary Public assistance as necessary.

I want to thank you for giving me such fine support over the past nine and one half years. Also, I wish to express my appreciation to those, too numerous to mention here, who have helped make this job so pleasant and enjoyable.

EDWARD P. RUSSELL
Director/Veterans Agent

FISCAL YEAR 1986

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Balance July 1, 1985 - Bank of Boston, Western NA	\$ 33.55
Balance July 1, 1985 - Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	3,935.67

Receipts:	B.O.B.	M.M.D.T.	
Town of Ashfield		\$ 3,223.96	
Town of Buckland	\$ 1,451.78	1,451.79	
Town of Charlemont		2,202.72	
Town of Colrain	1,361.68	1,361.68	
Town of Conway	1,041.28	1,041.28	
Town of Hawley	400.49	400.49	
Town of Heath	660.81	660.81	
Town of Monroe		580.71	
Town of Plainfield	660.81	660.81	
Town of Shelburne	2,863.52		
Flags & Markers	1,548.61	34.90	
Interest from M.M.D.T.		633.44	
Federal withholdings	2,760.00		
State withholdings	2,640.00		
Retirement deductions	961.86		
Transferred from M.M.D.T.	11,700.00		
	<u>\$28,050.84</u>	<u>\$12,252.59</u>	<u>40,303.43</u>
			<u>\$44,272.65</u>

Payments:	B.O.B.	M.M.D.T.	
Edward P. Russell, Director	\$11,550.00		
Jane E. Rice, Clerk	2,783.80		
Edith S. Gerry, Treasurer	275.00		
Town of Shelburne - Rent	1,800.00		
Phone & Office Supplies	693.80		
Director's Expense	213.80		
Janitor	120.00		
Flags & Markers	1,398.20		
Retirement Assessment	2,828.00		
Treasurer's Bond	50.00		
Internal Revenue - Fed. Tax	2,760.00		
Comm. of Mass. - State Tax	2,640.00		
County of Franklin - Retire.	961.86		
Transferred to B.O.B.		\$11,700.00	
	<u>\$28,074.46</u>	<u>\$11,700.00</u>	<u>\$39,774.46</u>

Balance June 30, 1986 - Bank of Boston, Western NA	9.93
Balance June 30, 1986 - Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	4,488.26
	<u>\$44,272.65</u>

EDITH S. GERRY
Treasurer

Annual Report of the Fred W. Wells Trustees

The Fred W. Wells Trustees are directed to provide grants in three specific areas of interest: Education, Health and Agriculture. Funds available for the 1986-1987 fiscal year were \$132,840.00.

The Trustees received 247 applications for Education grants and approved 151 students to receive \$97,050.00. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to insure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid. Seven students from Ashfield were awarded grants totaling \$4,700.

Five Health programs were proposed and approved. Funds were paid to Mohawk Valley Medical Center, Visiting Nurse Association, Hospice Program to assist with an increased patient load for the terminally ill, Franklin County Mental Health Association for medical rehabilitation equipment and services for the elderly, and Western Massachusetts Food Bank. These programs received a total of \$30,000.00.

Prizes for Agricultural accomplishments were awarded through the Franklin County Fair, Heath Fair and Franklin County Technical School. Awards this year were \$5,790.00.

On April 14, 1986, Douglas M. Angleman resigned as the Funds' Trustee from Ashfield. Grateful appreciation is extended to him for nine years of dedicated service in behalf of the Town to the Fund, its applicants and its beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER
Trustee from Ashfield

Report of the Board of Appeals

The Board of Appeals received one appeal of an abutter from a decision of the Building Commissioner. The issue was whether a pre-existing non-conforming use has been abandoned. After a public hearing, the Board denied the appeal, upholding the decision of the Building Commissioner.

Pending before the Board at the end of the year was a petition for a variance from frontage requirements to create a non-conforming lot.

Mrs. Marianna T. Graves resigned at the expiration of her term in June after being a member for eleven years. She was the first woman appointed to the Board. Her sage advice and sound judgment well served the Board and the town.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY, Chairman

CLAYTON C. CRAFTS

JOHN F. McNIFF, Secretary

KENNETH A. LILLY, Associate

WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, Associate

Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program

FISCAL YEAR 1986

Fiscal Year 1986 was another active year for the thirteen member towns of the F.C.C.B.I.P. The total number of permits issued by this office for all projects rose from 581 in F. Y. '85 to 627 in F. Y. '86. The four busiest towns were Bernardston, Leverett, Shutesbury, and Ashfield. One hundred and four dwelling units were constructed in those four towns, while the total number of dwelling units for the thirteen towns totaled 185.

Times are changing for the thirteen towns of the F.C.C.B.I.P. In the past, development pressure came largely from folks building their own custom homes. Now we are seeing an increase in speculative building. The trend is bound to continue as long as the housing market remains active. This shift has resulted in even more pressure being placed on this office and the local Boards of Health, Planning Boards, Zoning Boards of Appeals, etc., to accurately enforce and administer the Building Code, Zoning Bylaws, and other land-use regulations. By working as a team to better understand our respective jobs and duties we are learning to fairly and consistently enforce the codes and land-use regulations within our changing environment. To best serve the townspeople of the F.C.C.B.I.P. we cannot use our positions to either encourage or discourage growth and development, but rather we must do our best to see that what is built is built right.

As always, I wish to thank the residents, builders, and town officials of all thirteen member towns for their help and cooperation during this busy and sometimes confusing past year.

Sincerely,

STEVEN A. JUDGE
Building Commissioner

F.C.C.B.I.P.

FISCAL YEAR REPORT FROM JULY 1, 1985 to JUNE 30, 1986

Town	Permits	Value	Dwelling Units	Permit Fees	Certif. of Occ.	Certif. of Inspec. Issued	C.I. Fees	Total Fees Col'd
Ashfield	82	\$ 1,716,370	22	\$ 7,333	7	4	\$ 80.	\$ 7,413
Barnardston	76	2,308,390	30	9,715	18	13	380.	10,095
Buckland	57	916,633	8	3,753	2	3	120.	3,873
Charlemont	52	854,140	6	3,290	2	27	470.	3,760
Conway	35	1,047,545	13	4,270	9	6	165.	4,435
Erving	40	985,073	13	4,201	4	8	160.	4,595
Gill	39	1,153,300	10	3,831	9	35	1,332.	5,163
Hawley	16	338,240	5	1,299	1	5	85.	1,384
Heath	36	1,267,566	18	4,907	1	3	40.	4,947
Leverett	63	2,199,175	29	8,363	20	3	75.	8,438
Monroe	4	29,380	0	127	0	1	00.	127
Shelburne	59	1,229,925	8	5,279	6	24	490.	5,769
Shutesbury	68	1,754,962	23	7,079	19	5	120.	7,199
TOTALS	627	\$15,800,699	185**	\$63,447	98	137*	\$3,517	\$67,198

These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I. but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

Franklin County Cooperative Plumbing, Gas & Wiring Inspector Program

The following is a report of activity by the Plumbing & Gas Inspector and the Wiring Inspector for the period from July 1, 1986 through December 31, 1986:

	Permits Issued	Inspections	Reinspections	Fees
Plumbing Inspector	16	33	5	\$530.00*
Wiring Inspector	30	86		910.00*

*Note: Fees are collected and paid to the Town of Ashfield

**PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI
Plumbing & Gas Inspector**

**EDWARD MARCHEFKA
Wiring Inspector**

Board of Assessors

Inflated sale prices of real estate in Ashfield continue to be one of the primary concerns of the Board. In Fiscal '89 all valuations will be raised to an approximation of 100% of fair market value. In the forthcoming year money to cover the increased tax levy will be realized by raising the tax rate. Although this seems to create less concern by the home owner, it is not in full compliance with state mandates.

A lister has been engaged to measure, inspect and photograph buildings in Ashfield. With the aid of the board it is planned to have all properties updated by the time of recertification in Fiscal '89.

The total amount of money appropriated by the town to defray town expenses was \$1,330,210. \$761,881 of this amount is raised by taxation, also known as the "tax levy". Multiplying the tax base by a tax rate of \$14.95 will give you the amount to be raised by taxation. The tax base of Ashfield was increased by \$1,180,940 in Fiscal '87 making a new base of \$50,961,940. This increase is due to new buildings and improvements as well as division of large lots into smaller ones.

We would like to thank the accounting department for letting us monopolize their computer this year. We must soon have a computer that is compatible with the assessing software now being developed by the state.

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chairman
STEVEN A. JUDGE
ELISABETH C. NYE

Police Department Report

The residents of our town saw a change in July that came as a big surprise to all. Walter Zalenski retired from the position of Chief of Police. Walt has gone on to become a state court officer in Greenfield and, according to all indications, is very satisfied with his new position. The department would like to thank Walt and Barbara for their many years of faithful service to our town.

Another change in 1986 was the resignation of Eleanor Ward from the police department. To her, we also want to say "thank you" for her many years of dedicated service.

Ashfield seems to be a town that picks up where things are left off. The police department has four new officers as of December 1986. They are Roger Hmielewski, Bev LaBelle, Betty Lesure and Trish Phelps. All of the new officers have been certified under the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council's guidelines. The remainder of the department, Ken Howes, Steve Greenman, John LaBelle, Walt Zalenski and myself have also been recertified in the same areas. In addition, by early 1987, four of our officers will be Registered Emergency Medical Technicians. All the officers have worked hard to maintain the necessary qualifications of their position. My thanks and "well done" to all the personnel.

In May of 1986, the Town of Ashfield obtained a new Ford cruiser for the department. Needless to say, the previous cruiser was retired. The officers want to thank all the townspeople for their support in this purchase.

We, as a department, want to commend the Steeple Committee and their volunteers for their tremendous undertaking, resulting in the preservation of our town land mark. The Franklin County Police radio antenna was moved from the front of the new steeple to the rear of it. The committee requested this in order to improve the overall aesthetics of the town hall.

The police budget for this coming year shows a substantial increase. This is due primarily to the uncontrollable rise in cost of police liability insurance. This insurance has almost doubled each year and this coming year is no exception.

A special thanks to the Selectmen and residents of Ashfield for their confidence and trust in my appointment as Chief of Police. In addition, I want to thank Betty Lesure and her family for their continued help and support, which enables the department to operate efficiently.

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR 1986

Money turned in to the town from the police department:

F.I.D. Cards, Pistol permits and Insurance reports	\$ 265.00
Traffic Citations	<u>\$2,270.00</u>
Total	\$2,535.00

Mileage	18,500
Calls	3,119
Investigations	233
Accidents	46
Summons	29
Warrants	12
Larcenies	6
Breaks	10
Vandalism	6
Disturbances	17
Alarms	11
Arrests	11
Protective Custody	4
Court Hours	25
Medical Assists	13
F.I.D. Cards	20
Pistol Permits	19
Machine Gun Permits	1
Traffic Citations	147

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Police Chief

Ambulance Service Report

In 1986 a total of 81 ambulance runs were made. This is an increase of 18 over our total runs of 63 in 1985.

Three EMTs left the service in 1985. They were Noah Gordon, and Nordahl and Patricia Arvidson. We thank them for their dedication and service to the Ashfield Ambulance Service and we wish them well in future endeavors. Six persons have joined our crew in the past year. They are Patricia Libby, Linda Schiwall-Gallo, Francis Gallo, Steven Greenman, Thomas Poissant and Roberta St. Hill. Roberta is a Virginia State registered EMT and the others are enrolled in an EMT course in Charlemon beginning in 1987. Welcome aboard and thank you for joining our service.

A school bus extrication class was held the weekend of Sept. 27th & 28th at Mohawk Trail Regional School for interested EMTs and Firemen. There was a good turnout from Ashfield as well as from Shelburne.

In November 1986, our Search & Rescue team was asked to join in the search for a lost person at Mt. Haystack in Wilmington, Vt. Various team members joined the search for 4 days.....more will be seen of our team in the next year.

At this time the Ambulance Service would like to thank those who have given to our fund drive for a New Ambulance. The amount we have received is growing slowly but fairly steadily. We hope to have the full amount needed by January, 1988, if not sooner.

We would like to thank all those in the Ambulance Service, the EMTs, Dispatchers, First Responders & Auxiliary, for their time and dedicated service to Ashfield residents and their guests and those others that may require their assistance while traveling through town.

**DOUGLAS & DIANNE FIELD, Co-Directors
Ashfield Ambulance Service**

Planning Board Report

As in the last two years, the Planning Board received a steady number of applications for Special Permits to allow commercial activity within the town. Given the rural character of Ashfield, it is interesting, if not important, to note that none of these applications sought to construct new structures to carry out the planned "business" activity. All the Special Permit applications were judged to be consistent with town By Laws and were granted by the Board. The entrepreneurial interests of Ashfield residents as encountered in the Special Permit process were diverse and designed on a small scale. Two Special Permits were granted for Bed and Breakfast "businesses", substantiating the trend we have seen for the past few years of local residents hoping to augment their income by offering a room or two in their homes to outside guests who seek short term accommodations in Ashfield. Those Special Permits involving the sale of a service included videotaping, photography, furniture refinishing, bookkeeping/insurance and the establishment of a home office for a communication business. Two of the granted Special Permits involved the creation of "products"—a home bakery and a home printing business. The only Special Permit granted for a retail business was for a Basket making supply and gift store business. In reviewing the activity of Special Permits for the past year, it seems that the business ambitions of townspeople continue to be housed within homes and to rely on individual skills and interest.

Having realized that Ashfield's By Laws deserved serious study in light of the present and future changes confronting the town, the Planning Board spent much time meeting with our Long Range Planning Committee discussing their thorough and well-researched report on issues facing Ashfield and the recommendations to speak to those issues. At the close of the year we were focusing on possible By Law changes which would allow the town to exercise greater flexibility and creativity in determining the soundest ways residential and commercial development can be planned and shaped to insure that the rural integrity of Ashfield can be preserved. The painstaking collection of information and the study of responsible options to exercise were accomplished with persevering commitment by the Long Range Planning Committee, without whom the Planning Board would not now be ready to identify those municipal actions to be taken to fitfully address the challenges of change to Ashfield.

In the next year, the Planning Board, acting with the benefit of the wisdom and concern of involved townspeople, will begin to submit to the town those By Law amendments and other municipal steps which can be taken to responsibly protect the special qualities and unique resources of our town. In order to provide the tools to guarantee the purposeful realization of this planning process, the Planning Board has requested a \$3,000 investment on the town's part to purchase a comprehensive mapping of Ashfield's land uses, aquifers, roads, wetlands and fragile resource

areas as well as the specialized legal assistance in zoning necessary to fashion the quality of By Laws Ashfield deserves. While the past two years have been marked by fact finding and study, the Planning Board looks forward to a year which will see discussion grow into decision and decision into action.

MARK W. ZENICK, Chairman
EMILIANNA STREETER
ELIZABETH B. BEEBE
EUGENE H. POISSANT
NORMAN C. SCOTT
Ashfield Planning Board

Belding Memorial Librarian's Report

One of the best received innovations in the library during 1986 was the VCR tapes. This was made possible through the Western Mass. Regional Library System. The tapes include fiction and non-fiction for both adults and children. There are 12 tapes which are exchanged for new ones about every six weeks. They are loaned free of charge to anyone who comes to the library and fills out a card. They have to be returned the next time the library is open.

Book tapes also were a new request of patrons. Traveling to and from work, borrowers have found that it is a good way to read a book. We have some book tapes of our own that have been given to us and there are many more that can be chosen from the catalog through the Western Regional Library.

Shortly after the first of the year our water problem in the basement was diagnosed and cured. We have had no further problems.

In the late summer a movie was filmed in Ashfield and the library was part of the filming. We were presented with one of the tapes for the library by Harry Mahnken of Creamery Road who played a part in the filming of the movie. The name of it is **PAGES OF THE HEART**, a romance written exclusively for VCRs by Erica Hollis for Cameo Pictures of N.Y. This is available for circulation.

We had many outstanding displays in our cabinet and always welcome more.

Again our book sale during the Fall Festival was very successful, using books given the library either expressly for the sale or books donated that were duplicated and books we weeded from our collection. Because we have a varied reader interest, we have a wide range of material. This is made possible partly through your donations. We greatly appreciate your interest in the library.

The Western Regional Inter-Library Loan service is used to its fullest and exceeded all other years in 1986. It is through this service that we obtain special books and material that we do not have. We do buy most of the fiction on the best seller list. When buying books I have to consider our readership and even though a book may be on the best seller list it does not necessarily mean that we have a readership for it. This is when we use the Inter-Library Loan. We also send for specialized books used by someone doing research and when a class at either school is doing a project and we do not have enough material to go around. The Region's weekly system of picking up and dropping off requests certainly speeds up the request. Then Ann Lilly supplements the delivery system in between and has really made the whole system work very well.

There are so many people behind the scenes that make the library what it is whom I wish to thank. The Trustees and staff for all their help and support. David Diluzio, our custodian, who keeps everything in good order and repair. Alice Whitney for her interest in the library and her constancy and help in selecting books when the bookmobile comes. All those who have contributed material, money for material and to memorial funds. And those who make the whole library, our patrons who use the library and support us unflinchingly.

Circulation for 1986 was 12,640, VCR tapes went out 281 times, there were 436 inter-library loans, new patrons totaled 64, new books purchased were 139 and gifts of books processed was 117.

BARBARA V. ZALENSKI, Librarian

Belding Memorial Library

Report of Cash Receipts and Expenditures

For the Year Ended June 30, 1986

Cash Balance, July 1, 1985	\$ 16,424.07
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Cash Revenues:

Town of Ashfield	\$ 4,500.00
State Aid	1,673.00
Donations	285.19
Book Sale, lost books, etc.	151.56

Trust Income:

Milo Belding Trust	4,255.58
Milo Belding Surplus	405.63
Fred Cross Fund	633.21
Belding Endowment Fund	835.30
United Savings Bank	241.98

Interest Income:

Sara Norton Fund	88.56	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	373.62	
Hope Packard Fund	79.29	
N.O.W. Account	50.15	
Heritage Bank	122.36	
United Savings Bank	240.96	13,936.39
		30,360.46

Total Cash Availability

Less - Expenditures:

Salaries and services	6,463.19	
Books and Magazines	2,534.34	
Fuel	1,264.03	
Telephone	376.69	
Electricity	482.87	
Water	35.00	
Office Supplies	128.50	
Janitorial Supplies	35.79	
Repairs and Improvements	494.92	
Travel	25.12	
Miscellaneous	135.17	
Yard Work	531.50	12,507.12
		12,507.12

Balance, June 30, 1986	\$17,853.34
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Respectfully Submitted,

CAROL J. PEPYNE
Treasurer

Belding Memorial Library
Summary of Cash Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 1986

Cash Balance Consists of:

Bank of Boston (overdraft)	\$ (-489.87)
Heritage Bank	2,073.30
United Savings Bank*	1,705.92
Greenfield Savings Bank*	4,566.87
Northampton Institution for Savings*	1,084.41
United Savings Bank*	1,615.00
United Savings Bank*	1,079.46
United Savings Bank	5,199.93
United Savings Bank N.O.W. Account*	<u>1,018.32</u>
	\$ 17,853.34

*Principal on these funds cannot be used in accordance with terms of original grants. Interest on these accounts is available for general library use or purchase and repair of book.

Report of the Library Board of Trustees

After almost 37 years as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Belding Memorial Library, including 18 years as its chairman, Walter A. Whitney Jr. resigned from the board five months before the expiration of his term. Richard M. Evans was appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the Library Board to fill Walt's seat.

In February, 1987, the Library Board voted to recognize Walt and Alice Whitney's long service to the library and the town by giving a tea in their honor.

An examination of the library by Building Inspector Steven Judge revealed that the 73-year-old stone structure is basically sound but needs work. Repairs are necessary on its roof and on the concrete apron outside its foundation. In addition, interior plaster must be repaired, the rear door must be repaired or replaced, and some of the stonework must be repointed. The Library Board hopes that a grant will provide financial help to refurbish the building.

In late December, Carol J. Pepyne resigned as treasurer of the Library Board of Trustees. She will remain a member of the board. She had served as treasurer for six years. Dick Evans was elected treasurer.

It is expected that in 1987 Friends of the Ashfield Library will be organized. The board urges everyone in town to become a member of this support organization, and we cordially invite you to join us in making a fine library even better.

NOAH GORDON, Chairman
CLAYTON C. CRAFT, Secretary and Clerk
RICHARD M. EVANS, Incoming Treasurer
ANN N. LILLY
CAROL J. PEPYNE, Outgoing Treasurer
WALTER A. WHITNEY, JR.

Ashfield Council on Aging

The Council continued its monthly meeting in the past year, changing its meeting place from Friendship Hall to St. John's Corner. In addition to the usual card games and scrabble, motion pictures were shown on two occasions on a video recorder. From time to time, visitors are invited to address those present about programs of interest to elders.

The members of the Council stand ready at all times to answer questions regarding services available to older people. If an emergency arises, the situation can be referred to the Shelburne Senior Center where a caseworker for the Franklin County Home Care Agency is on hand to see if help can be offered quickly.

SYLVIA MONK, Chairman
MARIANNA GRAVES, Secretary
HELENE WALKER
FRANKLIN SMITH
GEORGE MONK

Report of Board of Health

In this first year as a separate Board, the Ashfield Board of Health has focused mainly on issues related to sewage disposal. There were 36 percolation permits issued, 29 for new construction and 7 for repair. There were three housing code violation complaints inspected and substantiated. Public opinion was heard regarding the use of Kendall Company sludge as an agricultural fertilizer. The Selectmen accepted the resignation of Board Chair, Dr. Sidney Arje and he was replaced by Thomas Murphy. The Board attended trainings conducted by the Western Mass. Regional Office of the State Department of Public Health and the Franklin County Extension Service.

FREDERICK GRAVES, Chair
THOMAS MURPHY
SARAH MILLNER, Clerk

Visiting Nurse & Health Services

The Visiting Nurse & Health Services of Franklin County, Inc. has provided a comprehensive array of health services to patients recovering from acute episodes of illness at home this year. Services are provided by qualified professionals including registered nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists. Personal care services by trained home health aides are also provided as an adjunct to skilled care.

In 1986 the following services were rendered to 20 patients:

Skilled Nursing Visits	88
Physical Therapy Visits	77
Home Health Aide Hours	406.25

The agency has a large component of homemakers whose services are available to help the frail elderly to remain independent at home by assisting with light housekeeping, personal care, shopping, and errands. Referrals for any of the above services are accepted from physicians, hospitals, patients, and/or families. Call 774-2302 for services.

In addition, the agency provides for the Women's, Infant's and Children's Supplemental Food Program (WIC) for all of Franklin County from our office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield. Call 774-2302 to enroll.

DOROTHY C. GARVIN
Executive Director

Dog Officer's Report

The town dog problem took an obvious decline from last year. There were a few factors which helped the situation. First of all, the town acquired a tranquilizer gun which was a definite help. Secondly, and more important, there was a tremendous amount of cooperation from pet owners. Many people have made a conscious effort to control their pets, as well as notifying me of unwanted canine visitors. Ashfield still has a year-round restraining order and hopefully, if we can continue to work together, our dog problem will be kept at a minimum.

The Environmental Police have had a few unpleasant chores in dealing with dogs chasing deer. These state officials have authority anywhere in Ashfield as well as in other Massachusetts towns. Ashfield will continue to work with this agency in the control of dogs chasing, killing or wounding wildlife or domestic animals. Late in 1986 we did experience some problems with dogs chasing deer. However, through the efforts of the Police Department and the Environmental Police, as well as concerned residents, certain deer managed to escape.

Several dogs have been hit by motor vehicles in Ashfield. Under the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 272, Section 80H, any operator of a motor vehicle that strikes and injures or kills a dog or cat shall report such accident to the owner or police officer in the town where such accident occurred. This law seems to somewhat console a pet owner after a mishap.

As a reminder, any loose dogs picked up by the dog officer or a police officer will be kept at my residence on Cape Street, Rte. 112, in Ashfield. Found or lost dog notices will be posted at Elmer's Store, the Short Stop and at the Post Office. Residents with any questions or helpful information can contact me at 628-3811.

DOG STATISTICS

Dog calls	284	Kennel exp.	\$ 39.00
Dogs confined	21	Fines	\$139.00
Mileage	2,020	Dogs destroyed	0
Labor	306 hrs.		

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Dog Officer

Energy Resources Commission Report

The Commission held 8 meetings during 1986 to implement and work on several projects and discuss future directions.

Three new members, Ethel Kipen, Doug Cranson, and Elliott Marsh, were appointed by the Selectmen to fill vacancies and to help continue energy conservation work.

In June, a state grant application was submitted proposing \$6,000 worth of energy improvement projects at the town hall and fire station. Our proposal was accepted in September and all of the work has been contracted.

Sanderson Academy was the site of \$19,000 worth of state funded energy improvements including storm windows and ventilation duct work. Oil consumption at Sanderson has been cut by 50% in the past 8 years, going from approximately 20,000 gallons to 10,000 gallons per year. The commission is eager to monitor future savings as a result of a new, more efficient boiler installed before the current heating season.

The commission continues to monitor energy consumption in all town buildings and will print its fifth annual survey chart soon.

Street lights, their current \$4,000 per year bill and the electric company's inability to provide and replace incandescent bulbs no longer created numerous discussions about what to do in the future.

The second half of the year saw the commission focus the majority of its time on solid waste recycling issues. Collecting recyclables has rarely been a problem in Ashfield; townspeople have been very cooperative. Disposing of these goods has created new problems. Hazardous waste laws designed to protect the environment have made transportation of waste oil a risky business and an overflowing tank at the dump. Waste oil recycling is temporarily halted until an economically feasible disposal program can be found. The commission will try to publish a list of collection areas where individuals can recycle their waste oil. The cardboard recycling bin was reopened at the dump on an experimental basis by paying a hauler to recycle the cardboard at a net savings to the town by decreasing compactor haulings. The town became a member of the Pioneer Valley Recycling Association (PVRA), an organization formed to look at solid waste disposal and recycling on a regional basis. Doug Cranson is the liaison for Ashfield.

Several articles were published in the Ashfield News to keep the town informed of our current activities. The commission has publicized and can answer questions on the HEAT program, a low interest, energy conservation loan program available for homeowners.

The new state solar access law was also a topic of discussion and the commission will explore the pros and cons of adopting this law into our local zoning by-laws.

We've all seen the price of oil plummet in the past year only to begin a slow rise once again. The price of this volatile resource will continue to fluctuate and none of us should be lulled into forgetting the valuable conservation measures we've used to save energy.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP PLESS, **Chairman**
DOUGLAS CRANSON
DAVID KNOWLES, **Clerk**
ETHEL KIPEN
ELLIOT MARSH

Report of the Park Commissioners

The past year has been a very exciting and successful one for the Park Commission.

Through the efforts of Representative Healy, Senator Olver, the town office and the park commissioners, the town received \$480,000 to restore the Ashfield Lake Dam. The project will begin in August of this year with a targeted completion date in the Fall.

The Lake Restoration subcommittee has written and applied for a Clean Lakes Grant from the State which is the first step towards the Ashfield Lake clean-up. At this writing we are awaiting word from the state regarding our application. If chosen, the state will fund 70% of the required costs for a diagnostic and feasibility study of the lake. In essence, this study will establish the future direction towards total clean-up of the lake:

The Park Commission received numerous donations in the form of memorial funds. Our thanks to all of the townspeople who have donated in memory of their friends and loved ones. Three beautiful plantings were created with professional and volunteer help. Aside from the memorial quality of these plantings we as a commission are grateful for the trust that the citizens of Ashfield have placed in our jurisdiction. Through these memorial donations many of the long range plans of the Park Commission can be achieved. Other plantings were also accomplished through the efforts of the Ashfield Garden Club in conjunction with a State Fruition Grant. We are proud to mention that approximately sixty town residents volunteered their efforts during spring clean-up for the above plantings. Clearly pride in Ashfield is alive and well.

Long range plans for the park are in draft form and will be completed this year.

On a less optimistic note the lake was unavailable for swimming due to high coliform counts for approximately two weeks during the past summer.

In line with the lake clean-up the park commissioners support the sewer project in its present form and strongly urge that the engineering study of the west end of the lake be completed.

We look forward to initiation and completion of several of the projects mentioned above and welcome any constructive suggestions the townspeople may have regarding park matters.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD MULLER, Chairman
KENNETH RILLINGS
SUZANNE CORBETT
Park Commissioners

Lake Restoration Committee

ETHEL KIPEN
MARCY EDWARDS
DAVID FERRO
STEPHEN TILLEY
KENNETH RILLINGS, Chairman

Dam Study Committee

CORT SHURTLEFF
MARY FITZ-GIBBON
DANA KIRKPATRICK
RICHARD MULLER Chairman

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

This year, voters in the towns of Ashfield and Plainfield approved the formation of a regional elementary school district. The creation of the regional school district has resulted in the receipt of additional state revenues which will provide the school committee with the opportunity to improve the educational program and facilities at Sanderson Academy. At the same time, the assessments to Ashfield and Plainfield will be kept at a reasonable level. There are now four separate regional school districts in the eight town area.

During the course of this school year, several long range planning committees have been appointed to study both short term and long range space needs for the several school districts. There are some critical space needs in some of our schools this year. The Hawlemont Regional School and the Colrain School are crowded and are developing plans to cope with their current and long term space needs. Within the next five years there will be a pressing need for more space at Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The enrollments in all of the schools in the nine town area are increasing. Many new homes are being built in the area.

A joint long range planning committee, with representatives from all school districts, has been appointed to review the long range space needs of the area. There are a number of difficult questions that need to be addressed in the near future, as follows:

1. Should each school district attempt to resolve space needs by initiating building programs, or should consideration be given to a building project on a regional basis? A building project at Mohawk Trail Regional High School could be expanded to include grades five and six in the middle school. This could alleviate some of the space needs in all elementary schools.
2. How many building projects will the state fund?
3. The concept of kindergarten through twelve regionalization needs to be seriously examined. The Department of Education has recommended that in view of the various space and building needs facing the nine towns, consideration be given to the creation of a single school district for the eight towns included in the high school district. Rowe would likely continue the current practice of operating as a separate K-12 school district. The advantages and disadvantages of a fully regionalized school district have to be studied carefully to assess the educational and financial impact of such a move. Any changes in the existing regional school agreements would require the approval of all communities.

This has been an active year in the area of Chapter 188, the Massachusetts Education Law which was passed in July, 1985. The several

school districts have received funds from a variety of the grants as follows:

1. **Horace Mann Grants** - All schools received these funds which provide additional funds for teachers for performing expanded responsibilities for staff and curriculum development.
2. **Equal Education Opportunity Grants** - A number of school districts receive these funds to increase per pupil expenditure in school districts currently spending below 85 per cent of the average statewide per pupil expenditure.
3. **Professional Development Grants** - These funds were received by all school districts for the purpose of supplementing teacher salaries.
4. **Minimum Teacher Salary Grants** - These funds were made available in order to increase the starting salary for teachers to \$18,000. The Ashfield-Plainfield and Hawlemont Regional Schools and Rowe have approved the acceptance of these grants. School committees have been able to hire some excellent teachers since the approval of these grants.
5. **School Improvement Funds** - These grants, in the amount of \$10 per pupil, are used at the building level to establish innovative academic programs and expanded services to students.
6. **Instructional Materials Grants** - Several eligible schools receive \$2500 to purchase textbooks, workbooks, and other educational materials.
7. **Gifted and Talented Grant** - The several school districts received a \$10,000 planning grant to develop gifted and talented pilot programs in each of our schools, to complete a needs assessment, and to write a grant for potential funding of a full time coordinator for next year.
8. **Early Childhood Grants** - The Hawlemont Regional School has received a grant that will provide for the establishment of the Early Childhood Program for preschool children. Other districts will be submitting smaller grants.
9. **Lucretia Crocker Program** - Nancy Rillings, teacher at Sanderson Academy, has been selected as a Lucretia Crocker Fellow for the 1986-1987 school year. Nancy Rillings, Ann Mislak, and Helen Doyle submitted the Sanderson Academy Mexican Exchange proposal which was the only project approved for the entire Northwest Regional Education Center. These three staff members are to be congratulated on their success with this program.

This year curriculum assessment tests were given in math, reading, and science for grades three, seven, and eleven. The results were, in

general, very satisfactory. Basic Skills tests were given in grades three, six, and nine. The results from these tests will be available from the Department of Education in the near future.

In July, 1986, Hawlemont Regional School received notification from Secretary William Bennett, from the United States Department of Education, that the school has been selected for special recognition in the first nationwide Elementary School Recognition Program for achieving excellence in education. This was an outstanding achievement for the Hawlemont School Committee, Dr. Gwen Van Dorp, the school principal, the school staff, parents, and community members.

This year we've had two staff members that have or will have retired at the end of the school year, both of whom have made significant contributions to their school districts for many years. Eleanor Baker retired as a secretary in the Superintendent's Office last fall after completing 20 years of service to the Buckland-Colrain-Shelburne School District. George Gamache will be retiring at the end of this school year after completing 28 years as a social studies teacher at Sanderson Academy and Mohawk Trail Regional High School. We extend to them our best wishes for the future.

In closing the report, I want to especially thank the administrators and staff members who have been so active in seeking grants for the several school districts. School principals have done an excellent job of submitting proposals for their schools. It would be impossible to submit these numerous grants without their assistance. I also want to thank community members for their continued support of the public schools.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE E. WILLARD
Superintendent of Schools

Special Education

The number of students in the nine town Mohawk Trail District receiving special education services as of December 1, 1986 was 292. This represents a significant increase over last year's count of 241. Reasons for the increase are many, but of primary importance is the fact that special education is now governed by a new set of regulations that make more children eligible for services. All of the 292 students have Individual Education Plans that have been developed by an evaluation team consisting of teachers, psychologists, parents and specialists. The students range in age from 3 to 21 and are about equally divided between the elementary and secondary levels. The plans can be as simple as monitoring a student's progress or as complicated as providing educational, physical and psychological services all day long.

The past year has not been one of major changes in our district with the notable exception of the new regulations. It will be a while before we know all of their implications, but this much we do know: They will cost considerable time and money to implement. Whether they will also result in improved services to students is the subject of much debate. In terms of programs, our schools are operating virtually the same as they did last year. There is one resource room at each elementary school, three resource rooms at Mohawk, the pre-school Side-by-Side West program, and two self-contained classrooms, one at Hawlemont and one at Buckland-Shelburne. At present this is adequate but in the not-too-distant future, it will not be. With all five elementary schools, "feeding" Mohawk, the Middle School resource room is at capacity and will probably have to expand next year. Also, there is a growing need for a self-contained classroom at Mohawk. That a school of 800 or so students does not have one in this day and age, is highly unusual. When the self-contained population in the elementary schools reaches Mohawk in two or three years—such programming will be essential. The major impediment to expanded services, finances aside, is space. There just is not any. The populations at all of our schools are increasing, in some cases dramatically. The result is that committees must struggle to accommodate existing programs before they can discuss new ones.

On the plus side of the ledger is the fact that our Federal entitlement grants have increased again. Our allotment under public laws 94-142 and 89.313 for 1986/87 is nearly \$67,000. These monies allow us to fund positions and services that would be impossible if we had to rely on local revenue. It is a badly needed source of financial support that I hope will not disappear. The biggest "plus" of all, however, continues to be the education that we provide to the district's special needs population. Considering the number of students we serve and our town's relative lack of wealth, the high quality of our services is remarkable. But it is no mystery. The reason lies in the spirit of cooperation that exists between school personnel, committees and community members. Working together we are able

to solve problems that could easily overwhelm us if we did not support each other. It is an unusual, invaluable "resource" that we should all pledge to maintain.

KEVIN COURTNEY
Administrator of Special Education

Report of the Sanderson Academy School Principal

I hereby submit my report as principal of Sanderson Academy for the school year 1986-87.

Ashfield students who graduated from Sanderson in June are:

Tristan Arseneault
David Bardwell
Michael Churchill
Jonathan Cranston
Peter Fuller

Michelle Gougeon
Danny Heiser
Gregory Shea
Deanna Taylor
Kevin Tetreault

Enrollment - December 1, 1986

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	16	15	31
1	13	17	30
2	17	14	31
3	16	17	33
4	12	13	25
5	12	4	16
6	8	16	24
	94	96	190

The faculty this year consists of 10 regular classroom teachers and one special needs teacher.

Margaret Booker, third grade teacher, and Mary Hall, second grade teacher, retired in June after many years of dedicated service to the students and the school. Mr. Budge Litchfield and Ms. Katherine First were hired for 3rd and 2nd grade. Alyson Patch was hired as the fifth grade teacher replacing Mrs. Mislak who became a third grade teacher. Laurel Dickey was hired as a one year substitute in grade one to replace Nancy Rillings who received a Lucretia Crocker grant.

Marie Hodgkins was hired to replace Rose Keefe, who resigned, as the special needs teacher. Judith Duncan replaces Judith Newell as the Chapter I teacher. The Chapter I position became a full time position as state funds supplemented the federal grant. Sandra Carter received a year's leave of absence. Patricia Kapitsky was hired as the vocal music teacher two days a week and Elizabeth Bryant was hired one day a week for instrumental music. Mary Jane Johnson was hired as the art teacher. She replaces Toby Kopman who resigned.

Ruth Rice resigned as school secretary to take a position at the Main Office. Jacqueline Clark was hired to replace her.

The turn over in staff is just one of the many changes at the school this year. On June 19, the Ashfield-Plainfield Regional School District was formally approved. There are now 5 members of the School Committee - 3 from Ashfield and 2 from Plainfield. The transition from a town department to a regional district has been completed with no interruption to the school program as a whole.

Chapter 188, the new educational bill, was passed and new monies have been awarded to the school via direct grants as well as grants that were written. Of primary importance was the acceptance by the town of the \$18,000 minimum for teachers. The state will help to supplement the cost to the towns over the next two years.

The School Improvement Council was formed with approval of the School Committee. The money was used to send teachers to the Artist/Educator Interchange this summer. Materials for the Apple IIe were also purchased from this grant. A grant for instructional supplies was also written and received. Math Their Way kits were bought for Grades K-2.

The school is participating in two Arts Grants this year. A Cultural Resource grant entitled "Westward Ho" will be shared with the Hawlemont School in conjunction with Mohawk Trail Concerts. The entire school will participate in this grant during the months of March and April.

Grades 3 and 4 are participants in a grant sponsored through the Arts Council of Franklin County. Our students have participated in a water color project and will be studying paper sculpture later this year.

The Math Curriculum was reviewed and rewritten by the faculty. A "Math Their Way" course was given during the summer for district teachers in grades K-2. Ongoing monthly workshops take place at Sanderson each month under the direction of Valerie Abramson, first grade teacher.

A Commonwealth Inservice Grant for all teachers at Sanderson was funded in January. This 8-week course on "Creativity in Learning" was under the direction of Dr. Donna Harlan.

New regulations under Chapter 188 mandated a state wide educational assessment test for Grade 3 students. Our students took this

assessment test in the spring and the results were published in November. Our students placed above the state average in all areas tested.

Basic skills tests for grades 3 & 6 were also administered this fall in reading, math and writing. Test results will be available in the early spring.

Chapter 188 also funded 12 Lucretia Crocker fellows across the state. A Sanderson team of three teachers wrote up the Mexican Exchange Program. This program was selected to receive the grant and Nancy Rillings is the teacher who is the designated fellow. She will spend the year disseminating and working with other schools across the state who have an interest in establishing an exchange program of their own.

Changes have also taken place in the building itself. A new boiler was installed this fall replacing the original boiler. The bell room has been further remodeled into a Chapter One classroom. A window wall was installed as well as a door with windows. The cafeteria and 5 classrooms were painted this summer. There are now a boys and girls toilet on each floor. These rooms were also painted. New Carpeting was installed in grades one and two. New storm windows funded by the energy grant were also installed this summer.

The Parent Volunteer Program continues to be a great source of support for our classroom teachers and students. The Parent Advisory Group continues to be active. They have given input into building needs. This year a study of the playground and the lunch program have been undertaken.

Donations have been received from the Sanderson Trustees and a new computer for students' use in grades K-3 will be purchased.

The School Committee this fall formed a Building Study Committee to look into the future needs of the school and how to best utilize the space within the building.

I would like to thank all the faculty, staff, students, parents and citizens of the town for their unfailing support of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA A. CONANT
Principal

1985-1986 Ashfield School Budget

Financial Statement as of June 30, 1986

SUMMARY

Administration	\$ 13,485.00	\$ (111.20)
Instruction	256,560.00	1,523.66
Other School Services	52,949.00	12,757.45
Operation & Maintenance	52,447.00	5,487.24
Fixed Charges	1,289.00	789.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	3,300.00	(7,842.68)
Sub-Total Regular Operating Budget	<u>\$ 380,030.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,603.47</u>
Instruction—Special Education	\$ 34,181.00	\$ 6,514.35
Other School Services, Sp. Ed.	5,900.00	5,900.00
Programs with Other Sch. System in MA	7,000.00	(5,490.80)
Sub-Total Special Education		
Operating Budget	\$ 47,081.00	\$ 6,923.55
Encumbered Salaries		(15,811.84)
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$ 427,111.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,715.18</u>

1985-1986

	Appropriation	Balance
Administration		
School Committee Legal Expense	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
School Committee Supplies	10.00	10.00
School Committee Other	600.00	(83.44)
	<u>\$ 810.00</u>	<u>\$ 126.56</u>
Administrative Salaries	\$ 5,440.00	\$ 176.80
Clerical Salaries	6,510.00	(434.66)
Contracted Services—Census	250.00	50.00
Administrative Travel	475.00	(29.90)
	<u>\$ 12,675.00</u>	<u>\$ (237.76)</u>
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	<u>\$ 13,485.00</u>	<u>\$ (111.20)</u>

Instruction

Supervisors' Salaries	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
Contracted Services—Curri.	700.00	700.00
Supervisors' Other Expense	30.00	30.00
	<u>\$ 830.00</u>	<u>\$ 730.00</u>

Principal's Salary	\$ 26,500.00	\$ (1,250.00)
Principal's Clerical	9,853.00	1,272.76
Principal's Supplies	700.00	408.85
Principal's Other Expense	1,025.00	221.00
	<u>\$ 38,078.00</u>	<u>\$ 652.61</u>
Teachers' Salaries	\$ 182,672.00	\$ 6,937.74
Substitutes	3,000.00	(1,162.09)
Teacher Aides	11,000.00	159.48
Contracted Services	600.00	(591.04)
Instructional Supplies	10,000.00	(2,318.15)
Other Expense	1,145.00	(905.43)
	<u>\$ 208,417.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,120.51</u>
Textbooks	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,406.08)
Library Aide	\$ 5,985.00	\$ 840.59
Materials & Supplies	1,000.00	(948.94)
	<u>\$ 6,985.00</u>	<u>\$ (108.35)</u>
Audio-Visual Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ (564.16)
Guidance Testing Supplies	\$ 200.00	\$ (150.87)
Guidance Other—Scoring	250.00	250.00
	<u>\$ 450.00</u>	<u>\$ 99.13</u>
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	\$ 256,560.00	\$ 1,523.66
Other School Services		
Health Salaries	\$ 2,384.00	\$ (251.00)
Health Supplies	65.00	(.17)
	<u>\$ 2,449.00</u>	<u>\$ (251.17)</u>
Pupil Transportation, Cont.	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 13,133.66
Cafeteria Salaries	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (14.65)
Student Body Activities	\$ 0.00	\$ (110.39)
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	\$ 52,949.00	\$ 12,757.45
Operation & Maintenance		
Custodial Salary	\$ 17,747.00	\$ (2,158.00)
Custodial Supplies—Cleaning	2,300.00	(929.15)
	<u>\$ 20,047.00</u>	<u>\$ (3,087.15)</u>
Heating—Fuel Oil	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 6,437.89

Utilities	\$ 10,100.00	\$ 955.36
Maintenance of Grounds—Cont.	\$ 0.00	\$ (200.00)
Maintenance of Grounds—Sup.	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	\$ 50.00	\$ (150.00)
Maintenance of Building—Cont.	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,572.81
Maintenance of Building—Sup.	1,300.00	875.62
	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 2,448.43
Maintenance of Equip.—Cont.	\$ 1,300.00	\$ (413.32)
Maintenance of Equip.—Sup.	250.00	(703.97)
	\$ 1,550.00	\$ (1,117.29)
TOTAL OPERATION & MAINT.	\$ 52,447.00	\$ 5,487.24

Fixed Charges

Insurance	\$ 1,289.00	\$ 789.00
TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	\$ 1,289.00	\$ 789.00

Acquisition of Fixed Assets

New Equipment	\$ 2,700.00	\$ (6,482.02)
Replacement of Equipment	\$ 600.00	\$ (1,360.66)
TOTAL ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	\$ 3,300.00	\$ (7,842.68)

REGULAR OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 380,030.00	\$ 12,603.47
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Instruction Special Education

Teachers' Salaries	\$ 17,019.00	\$ 2,605.00
Substitute	200.00	0.00
Teachers' Aide	0.00	0.00
Contracted Services	7,800.00	3,079.94
Instructional Supplies	400.00	351.60
Other Expense	200.00	197.12
	\$ 25,619.00	\$ 6,233.66
Textbooks	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Guidance Salaries	\$ 4,006.00	\$ (108.80)
Guidance—Other Expense	50.00	50.00
	\$ 4,056.00	\$ (58.80)

Psychological Salaries	\$ 4,006.00	\$ (108.80)
Psychological—Cont.	200.00	200.00
Psychological Supplies	100.00	61.25
Psychological Other Expense	100.00	87.04
	<u>\$ 4,406.00</u>	<u>\$ 239.49</u>
TOTAL INSTRUCTION, SP. ED.	<u>\$ 34,181.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,514.35</u>

Other School Services

Pupil Transportation	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 5,900.00
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	<u>\$ 5,900.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,900.00</u>

Programs With Other Districts

Tuition to Other Districts	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Tuition to out of State		(12,490.80)
TOTAL PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS	<u>\$ 7,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (5,490.80)</u>

**SUB TOTAL: SPECIAL EDUCATION
OPERATING BUDGET**

<u>\$ 47,081.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,923.55</u>
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Encumbered Salaries

<u>\$ (15,811.84)</u>

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET

<u>\$ 427,111.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,715.18</u>
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Mohawk Trail Regional High School

Annual Report of the Principal

It is a pleasure to present my fifth report as Principal of the Mohawk Trail Regional High School. Despite projected decreases in student enrollment, the school population continued to rise and is approaching 800 students in grades 7 through 12. We are studying these trends and making preparations for the future.

The central purpose of the school continues to focus on quality education in a disciplined setting. Faculty and students remain committed to this goal. Students at Mohawk in grade 11 scored well above the state norm on curriculum testing in math, science and reading. We are anxiously awaiting results of basic skills assessments results in February.

This year Mohawk has applied for the National Secondary Schools recognition program in which 100 high schools, public and private, are recognized as "the best". At this writing, Mohawk has been selected regionally and statewide as one of seven Massachusetts schools to have been forwarded to Washington for further consideration.

Our emphasis on inservice programming has been extensive throughout the year. Our focus has been on social impediments to student academics achievement. Many local agencies provided faculty programs on alcoholism, substance abuse, depression and child abuse. We have developed a comprehensive policy to assist students to achieve to the fullest of their potential.

Students continued to excell in musical, athletic and academic areas. Scott Verrier, a Senior, was selected for the All-Eastern Chorus. Michelle Gedutis was chosen as Division II DAR Good Citizen in a statewide competition. Students have applied and been accepted to the finest colleges in the nation. Again, over \$60,000.00 of local scholarship services will be distributed to graduates. We continue to develop newer programs with emphasis on current technology for all levels of students.

The Middle School Musical "Annie Get Your Gun" and the All-School Musical "Music Man" attracted sell-out crowds. An exchange program with a high school in Maryland is in the final planning stages.

Seniors are graduating on June 7 and have chosen a two day cruise to Nova Scotia as their class trip. This year's graduating class has shown much leadership and initiative; they have excelled academically. We wish the graduates our best.

Individually and collectively, Mohawk students are excelling in academic, athletic, and artistic competitions. The list of accomplishments appears too lengthy for a report of this nature. The school and its student body is a source of pride to this community and will continue to be so.

PHILIP A. DZIALO
Principal

June, 1986 Mohawk Trail Regional High School Graduates listed by town of residence at time of graduation.

ASHFIELD

Donna Baxter
Asha Brandstein
Daniel Cote
Dennis Cote
Katherine Doyle
Greg Elbaum
Suellen Field
Chris Gould
Philip Gould
Emily Gray
Melissa Ingham
Joshua Judge
Thomas Mahnken
Denise Ouimette
Daniel Parker
Keith Pearson
Robert Poissant
Stephanie Seymour
Nancy Taylor
Tina Zalenski

Mohawk Trail Regional High School School Library Report

Library/media program district goals for this past year for all schools included collection development, author enrichment and inservice programs. In addition to these district wide goals, each school library determined its individual priorities. District library/media personnel are:

Buckland-Shelburne
Colrain Central School
Hawlemont Regional
Rowe Elementary
Sanderson Academy
Mohawk Trail Regional

Toni Wilcox
Carol Agrillo
Jan Wertheim, Bonnie MacAdam
Jane Wishart
Beverly Williams
Julie DuPree, Elizabeth Stewart,
Marge Porrovecchio, Susan Silvester

This year New York City author Shirley Glubok delighted audiences grades 3-12 with illustrated lectures on a wide variety of historical topics. Ms. Glubok, author of more than 42 books on art history and archaeology, visited schools May 21-23 and October 15-17, 1986.

Local children's author Jim Trelease donated 150 new books worth approximately \$1800. This is the largest donation of books ever received; books were divided among the schools in the district. The Mohawk Resource Center received donations from the following people: Janice Weeks, Neil Potter, Loren Mayer, Leslie Lawrence, Julie DuPree, Seymour and Patricia Itzkoff, Shirley McMullen, Jan Mahnken and Jean Bernhardt. The continued assistance of two dedicated volunteers, Jean Sedgwick at Mohawk and Barbara Pantermehl at Sanderson, is greatly appreciated.

A \$1,210 Commonwealth Inservice Institute grant for district library inservice programs was received in late 1986. Workshops include cataloging, library design, bookbinding, equipment maintenance and reference material. Each year half of the school district Block Grant money is allocated to the school libraries to supplement the book and equipment budgets. This year the libraries received a total of \$6,753, most of which was spent on new books.

The Mohawk Resource Center underwent major renovations during the summer when the 27,000 volume book collection together with all the furniture and shelving were moved into the auditorium while a badly needed new carpet was installed and walls were painted. The Rowe Elementary School library also received a new coat of paint and major reorganization during the summer recess.

Circulation statistics indicate an increased amount of reading district wide. Approximately 1,500 new items have been cataloged during the past year. The following totals represent increases in the circulation of print and non-print material:

	Print	Non-Print	Interlibrary Loan Among Schools	Total
Buckland-Shelburne	8599	1981	36	10616
Colrain Central	4154	514	54	4722
Hawlemont	4426	113	38	4577
Sanderson Academy	6426	567	55	7048
Rowe Elementary	3851	412	27	4290
Mohawk Trail Reg.	6819	486	137	7442
Total	34,275	4,073	347	38,695

SUSAN B. SILVESTER
Director of Instructional Media

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Statement of Expenditures from FY 86 Budget

	FY 86 Appropriation	FY 86 Appropriation Balance
OPERATING BUDGET		
ADMINISTRATION		
Legal Services	\$ 6,500	\$ (19,955.37)
Treasurer Salary	4,277	(22.88)
Asst. Treas. Salary	200.00	0.00
Contracted Services	3,000.00	70.20
Treasurer Supplies	600.00	372.42
Treas. Mileage	75	(17.16)
Bonds—Treas. & Asst. Treas.	300.00	198.00
School Committee Expenses	5,000.00	(3,331.27)
Administration Salaries	38,806	(138.80)
Clerical Salaries	50,437	3,997.89
Contracted Services	3,500	(5,542.95)
Supt. Office Supplies	6,000.00	(3,835.79)
Supt. Office—Other Expenses	3,500.00	(187.61)
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 122,195	\$ (28,393.32)
INSTRUCTION		
Coordinator Salary	\$ 16,655	\$ (191.26)
Supervision Supplies	550	531.00
Supervision Expenses	538	502.50
Administrators Salaries	64,585	(1,775.06)
Clerical Salaries	31,859	(3,142.04)
Contracted Services	2,350	(309.33)
Principal Office Supplies	5,200	1,254.30
Princ. Office—Other Expenses	3,450	(1,482.47)
Graduation Expense	900	0.00
Instructional Salaries	1,113,577	(16,995.19)
Teacher Aides Salaries	34,351	(720.71)
Contracted Services	4,250	(1,617.57)
Inst.—Classroom Supplies	53,710	(7,245.16)
Instr.—Other Expenses	3,585	(1,648.29)
Textbooks	21,834	6,996.70
Librarian Salary	18,861	(8,743.50)
Libr. Assist. & Aides Salaries	13,266	613.17
Library Supplies	6,000.00	392.16
Library—Other Expenses	250	97.54
Audio-Visual Aide Salary	7,742	(391.49)
A-V Supplies	4,680	(906.23)
Student Services—Counselors Salaries	70,696	(495.69)
Student Serv.—Clerical Sal.	11,906	(116.40)
St. Serv.—Contracted Services	1,695	1,288.50

St. Serv.—Supplies	1,628	266.58
St. Serv.—Other Expenses	400	(50.08)
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	\$1,494.518	\$ (33,888.02)

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

Attendance Officer Salary	\$ 325	\$ 0.00
Attendance Officer—Expenses	75	75.00
Health Salaries	13,619	(743.79)
Health Suplies	600	48.13
Health Expenses	180	(100.22)
Leased Buses—Sup. & Exp.	9,550	5,963.58
Pupil Transportation Contracts	380,678	(11,659.02)
Late Buses	18,060	(607.50)
Pupil Transp.—Private Schools	1,800	(1,197.00)
Pupil Transp.—Field Trips	6,060	3,527.42
Cafeteria Manager Salary	12,537	(1,994.82)
Athletics	34,421	0.00
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	\$ 477,905	\$ (6,688.22)

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

Custodial Salaries	\$ 111,665	\$ 2,656.98
Custodial Supplies	9,800	(2,334.58)
Electric Energy	98,000	(6,918.80)
Utilities—Supt. Ofc. Telephone	4,240	1,756.26
Utilities—High School Tel.	2,440	(1,540.30)
Yards & Grounds—Contr. Services	2,000	906.31
Yards & Grounds—Supplies	2,400	532.53
School Bldg. Maint.—Contr. Serv.	9,035	(5,373.58)
Sch. Bldg. Maint.—Supplies	7,400	(3,635.99)
Sch. Bldg. Maint.—Energy Conserva.	1,500	(539.79)
Equip. Maint. & Repr.—Supt. Ofc.	450	87.05
Sch. Bldg. Equip. Maint.—Contr. Serv.	850	(1,537.72)
Sch. Bldg. Equip. Maint.—Supplies	5,980	1,752.42
Equip. Maint. Repair—H.S.	7,505	(1,609.41)
TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	\$ 263,265	\$ (15,798.62)

FIXED CHARGES

Franklin County Retirement Assessment	\$ 82,179	\$ 1,758.00
Insurances	25,100	(8,721.00)
Unemployment Insurance	5,000	4,019.00
32B Insurances/District Share	75,292	(14,705.33)
TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	\$ 187,571	\$ (17,649.33)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Custodial Services	\$ 40	\$ 12.34
TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$ 40	\$ 12.34

ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

Acq. New Equip.—Supt. Office	\$ 500	\$ (3,947.70)
Acq. New Equip.—High School	29,590	(9,584.94)
Replacement Eq.—Supt. Office	1,500	1,219.50
Replacement Eq.—High School	14,295	(3,419.43)

**TOTAL ACQUISITION OF
FIXED ASSETS**

\$ 45,885	\$ (15,462.57)
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OPERATING BUDGET TOTALS

<u>\$2,591,379</u>	<u>\$ (117,867.74)</u>
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SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET**INSTRUCTION**

Coordinator Salary	\$ 31,030	\$ 7,186.81
Clerical Salary	5,898	(50.80)
Contracted Services	0	(361.50)
Coordinator Supplies	1,500	(142.69)
Coordinator Expenses	1,800	(200.00)
Tchr. Instruct. Salaries	65,524	1,122.52
Home Instruction Salaries	1,500	622.53
ParaProfessional & Aides Sals.	31,978	(2,053.05)
Contracted Services	500	(255.50)
Instructional Supplies	900	(674.66)
Instructional Other Expenses	700	455.30
Textbooks	800	669.80
School Psychologists	29,175	2,689.82
Contracted Services	1,000	(850.32)
Psychologist Supplies	300	(303.26)
Psychologist Other Expenses	200	99.56

TOTAL SPEC. ED. INSTRUCTION

\$ 172,805	\$ 7,954.56
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OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

Health Salaries	\$ 1,402	\$ 70.50
Health Expenses	50	33.58
Pupil Transportation Contracts	10,000	(7,151.00)

**TOTAL SPEC. ED. OTHER SCHOOL
SERVICES**

\$ 11,452	\$ (7,046.92)
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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

Telephone	\$ 1,750	\$ 679.92
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**TOTAL SPEC. ED. OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT**

\$ 1,750	\$ 679.92
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ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

Acquisition of New Equipment	\$ 400	\$ 400.00
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**TOTAL SPEC. ED. ACQUISITION OF
FIXED ASSETS**

\$ 400	\$ 400.00
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OTHER DISTRICTS

Tuition	\$ 13,000	\$ 2,848.61
Collab. Membr./Adm.	<u>0</u>	<u>(10,388.40)</u>
TOTAL SPEC. ED. OTHER DISTRICTS	\$ 13,000	\$ (7,539.79)

SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET

TOTALS	<u>\$ 199,407</u>	<u>\$ (5,552.23)</u>
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CAPITAL BUDGET**DEBT RETIREMENT**

Debt Retirement—Principal	\$ 140,000	\$ 0.00
Debt Retirement—Interest	<u>2,800</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 142,800	\$ 0.00

CAPITAL BUDGET TOTALS

<u>\$ 142,800</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
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GRAND TOTALS (all budgets)

\$2,933,586	\$(123,419.97)
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Mohawk Trail Regional School District Balance Sheet as of 6/30/86

ASSETS:

Cash, Bank of Boston, Reg.	\$ 0.00
Bank of Boston, Now	1,444.93
M.M.D.T.	182,185.66
ASBESTOS	122,529.95
EOER	<u>6,896.59</u>

\$ 313,057.13

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Town of Ashfield	
Buckland	
Charlemont	
Colrain	
Hawley	
Heath	
Plainfield	
Rowe	
Shelburne	

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Chapter 70	
Chapter 71 Reg. Aid	
Chapter 71 Transp.	
Other State Aid	

Tuition

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 313,057.13

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:

Fund Balance-ASBESTOS	\$ 122,529.95
ASBESTOS-Temporary Loan	325,000.00
Loan Offset	(325,000.00)

Blue Cross Blue Shield,	
Employees	4,454.49
Blue Cross Blue Shield	
Retirees	(48.34)

Cafeteria, School Lunch	(24,151.94)
Meals Tax	<u>34.39</u>
Music Fund	
Athletic Fund	
Non-Revenue Construction	(24,117.55)

Grants: Chapter 1	1,296.57
Adaptive Phys Ed FY86	1,633.56
Block Grant '85	279.52
Block Grant '86	1,818.69
Title VIB '86	(2,217.61)
Occup. Educ. '86	157.43
Energy Grant/Computer	(17,731.70)
EOER Grant	6,896.59
LEA Incentive	<u>224.40</u>

Surplus: Unrestricted

(7,642.55)

Estimated Receipts			140,221.00
Surplus, Restricted			(40,035.08)
Surplus, Unrestricted			
Rotating Salaries			0.00
Budget Balances:			0.00
Regular Education			0.00
Special Education			0.00
Summer Salaries			115,933.88
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>\$ 313,057.15</u>
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			
Notes Payable			475,000.00
Expenses: Interest		(23,352.65)	
Tuition Payments		(159,918.44)	
Miscellaneous		(229.11)	
Transportation		(58,722.12)	
Principal Pmts.		<u>(150,000.00)</u>	
			(392,222.32)
Estimated Receipts:			
Interest Earned		22,789.80	
Town Receipts		88,590.13	
State Aid		35,207.32	
Loan		280,000.00	
Misc.		<u>10.00</u>	
			426,597.25
Fund Balance			<u>80,881.15</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>\$ 590,256.08</u>
ASSETS:			
Cash, M.M.D.T.	43,091.58		
State Street Bank	<u>72,164.50</u>		
		115,256.08	
Loan Offset		<u>475,000.00</u>	
			\$ 590,256.08
TOTAL ASSETS:			<u><u>\$ 590,256.08</u></u>

ASSETS:			
Cash, M.M.D.T.	43,091.58		
State Street Bank	<u>72,164.50</u>		
		115,256.08	
Loan Offset	<u>475,000.00</u>		
		<u>\$ 590,256.08</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS:			
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			
Notes Payable			475,000.00
Expenses: Interest			
Tuition Payments			
Miscellaneous			
Transportation			
Estimated Receipts:			
Interest Earned			
Town Receipts			
Fund Balance			<u>115,256.08</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>\$ 590,256.08</u>

Appropriations List - Fiscal 1987

The following is the true list of Appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 3, 1986:

	Transfer	Borrow	Taxation	Available Funds
Administrative Assistant			\$ 17,500.00	
Assessors' Expenses			11,000.00	
Audit & Accountant Services (Rev. Sharing)				\$ 2,750.00
Belding Library (Free Cash)			5,000.00	1,250.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield			18,000.00	
Bonds			600.00	
Building Inspector Program			5,369.00	
Care of Soldiers' Graves			350.00	
Chapter 140—Construction - Fiscal 1986		\$ 26,949.00	9,000.00	
Chapter 497—General Highway			25,000.00	
Civil Defense			200.00	
Conservation Commission			100.00	
Dog Officer Expenses			250.00	
Elections			800.00	
Fires & Equipment			7,765.00	
Health, Board of			500.00	
Heating—Town & Fire Station			3,400.00	
Highway Dept.—Paid. Vacations & Holidays			7,300.00	
Highway Dept.—Sick Leave			2,500.00	
Highway Sander (Rev. Sharing)				5,950.00
Historical Commission				
Inspector of Animals			100.00	
Insurance—Public Off. Liability			125.00	
(Rev. Sharing)				2,500.00

Insurance—Town Buildings & Equipment
Interest on Loans
Lifeguard & Swimming Instruction
Machinery Expenses
Memorial Day
Nursing & Health Services
Office—Part-time Clerical
Office Expenses
Parks & Beach
Park—Dock Repair
Planning Board Expenses
Police Chief's Salary
Police Department
Police Cruiser (Revenue Sharing)
Registrars of Voters
Rent of Hydrants
Reserve Fund (Overlay Surplus)
Retirement System, F.C.
Schools—Sanderson Academy
Mohawk Trail Reg. School
Stabilization Fund (Free Cash)
Street Lights
Street Lists
Tax Collector's Expenses
Town Clerk's Expenses
Town Counsel
Town Hall, Maintenance
Town Hall, Handicap Access
(Fred Cross Fund)
Town Hall, Painting & Restoration

27,950.00
2,500.00
3,171.50
35,000.00
350.00
100.00
2,500.00
4,000.00
1,800.00
600.00
1,000.00
20,000.00
16,000.00
12,788.00
250.00
1,302.70
33,740.00
443,368.00
289,103.93
15,000.00
4,950.00
350.00
2,000.00
650.00
4,000.00
2,500.00
1,000.00
2,000.00

Town Hall, Structural Repair & Painting (Fred Cross Fund)			3,000.00
Town Officers	13,850.00		
Town Reports	1,800.00		
Transfer Station	37,500.00		
Treasurer's Expenses	1,000.00		
Tree Warden	2,800.00		
Unemployment Compensation (Free Cash)			1,000.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00		
Veterans' Center (Revenue Sharing)			3,301.95
Western Mass. Intervention	200.00		
Winter Roads	41,000.00		
Wiring & Plumbing Inspector Program	3,095.40		
Workmen's Compensation (Free Cash)			9,000.00
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	\$ 26,949.00	\$1,114,390.53	\$ 63,539.95

Annual Meeting Total: \$1,204,879.48

Special Meeting, July 28, 1986
Interim Warrants—Public Schools
Appropriation from Overlay Surplus

7,000.00

Rescission of Art. 22, Annual Meeting
Appropriation for Public Schools

(-443,368.00)

Ashfield Plainfield Reg. School District
Appropriation

351,052.33

Interest on Loans—(\$11,000)				
Transfers: Workmen's Compensation	\$	1,500.00		
BC/BS		7,000.00		
Police Chief Salary		2,500.00		
Sanderson Academy Boiler				30,000.00
Appropriation from Overlay Surplus				
Painting—Sanderson Academy				3,500.00
Appropriation from Fred Cross Fund				
Medicare				
Transfer from BC/BS		1,000.00		
Ashfield Plainfield School District Planning				
Appropriation			695.71	
Total: \$1,153,759.52	\$	26,949.00	\$1,022,770.57	\$ 104,039.95
Special Meeting, Sept. 22, 1986				
Highway Superintendent's Salary			17,600.00	
Appropriation			\$1,040,370.57	\$ 104,039.95
Total: \$1,171,359.52	\$	26,949.00		
Special Meeting, November 10, 1986				
General Highway				3,149.00
Appropriation				

Alarm System—Town Hall & Station
Appropriation

2,251.00

Interest—Sewer Loans
Free Cash

	<u>10,000.00</u>
\$ 26,949.00	\$ 114,039.95

Special Meeting, January 7, 1987
Insurance—Town Bldgs. & Equip.
Overlay Surplus

	<u>5,545.00</u>
\$ 26,949.00	\$ 119,584.95

Special Meeting, February 9, 1987
Winter Roads
Free Cash

	<u>30,000.00</u>
\$ 26,949.00	\$ 149,584.95

A true copy.

ATTEST:

ELEANOR M. WARD, Town Clerk

Town Warrant

NOTE: This Warrant is for the voters' information only and changes, additions and/or deletions may occur prior to the posting of the Official Warrant.

FRANKLIN, SS:

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ashfield in the County of Franklin, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in said Ashfield, on Saturday, the second day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles: —

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator, Auditor, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tree Warden, all for one year terms. A Selectman, Assessor, two Finance Committee Members, Sanderson School Committee Member, Board of Health Member and a Park Commissioner, all for three year terms. One Board of Health Member for a two year unexpired term. A Library Trustee and a Planning Board Member, each for a five year term and the following question "Shall the Town of Ashfield be allowed to assess an additional \$19,121.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the fiscal year beginning July first, nineteen hundred and eighty-seven?", all on one ballot. Polls may close at 6:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 2. To act on the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to operate and maintain the Transfer Station, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Law adopted by the Town pursuant to Article 7 at a special town meeting on September 21, 1977 to read as follows:

The Board of Selectmen may order from time to time a period when no person owning or keeping a dog in the town shall permit such dog to run at large except on the premises of the owner or keeper. The schedule of fines shall be as follows:

First offense within a calendar year - \$5.00

Second offense within a calendar year - \$15.00

Third offense within a calendar year - \$30.00

Fourth and subsequent offenses within a calendar year - \$50.00

The fines listed above shall be in addition to any boarding fees which may be charged under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 in anticipation of 100% reimbursement under Chapter 497 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971, as amended, and transfer into a General Highway Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5A. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept a Grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 under the Small Town Road Assistance Program (STRAP) pursuant to the provisions of Section 3 (1) Chapter 811 of the Acts of 1985 for the Reconstruction of a section of Baptist Corner Road, and to expend said Grant without further appropriation, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000.00 for Winter Roads, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury and/or borrow a sum of money to replace or repair the motor grader used by the Highway Dept., or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 for the 1988 Fiscal Year Machinery Expense account to be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,345.00 to pay the salary of the Highway Superintendent, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any used Town Owned Equipment and/or property, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the

Treasury, such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$ 4,500.00
Bonds	650.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves	350.00
Civil Defense Expenses	100.00
Community Development Commission	100.00
Conservation Commission	100.00
Elections	700.00
Health, Board of	500.00
Heating Town Hall & Station	3,400.00
Historical Commission	200.00
Inspection of Animals	125.00
Interest on Loans	2,500.00
Medicare	750.00
Memorial Day	350.00
Registrars of Voters	500.00
Retirement System	28,709.00
Street Lights	5,000.00
Street Lists	350.00
Town Counsel	4,000.00
Town Hall	2,500.00
Town Reports	2,500.00
Tree Warden	2,800.00
Unemployment Compensation	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00
Veterans' Center	2,893.35
Total:	<u>\$64,077.93</u>

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury, such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Highway Dept.—Paid Vacations & Holidays	\$ 7,282.00
Highway Dept.—Sick Leave	1,982.40
Insurance—Public Official Liability	3,900.00
Insurance—Town Buildings & Equip.	45,195.00
Workmen's Compensation	10,000.00
Total:	<u>\$68,359.40</u>

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following amounts:

Planning Board Expenses	\$ 3,000.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	2,138.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00
Treasurer's Expenses	1,000.00
Total:	<u>\$ 6,888.00</u>

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Administrative Assistant	\$18,700.00
Part-time, Clerical	2,500.00
Office Expenses	<u>4,000.00</u>
Total:	\$25,700.00

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors to contract for the services of a revaluation firm to revalue Real Estate and Personal Property for Fiscal Year 1989 and to raise and appropriate, transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury and/or borrow a sum of money for this purpose, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,500.00 for Assessors' Expenses, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,359.00 for the Fires & Equipment account, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,750.00 to pay for the services of a public accountant to provide fiscal assistance, prepare the annual balance sheet and conduct a biennial audit of the town's accounting records, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. An amendment to the By-Laws seeking a one year moratorium on: (1) conversion of seasonal cottages to year round use; (2) conversion of single family homes to multi-family use; (3) construction of new buildings which

would apply only to the proposed sewer area and the west end of Ashfield Lake may be placed on the Official Warrant.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$311,312.44 (Operating, \$262,049.63; Vocational Brokering, \$49,262.81) to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1988 Operating and Vocational Brokering cost budget for the Mohawk Trail Regional School, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$284,963.95 to pay the Town's share of the Operating cost budge of the Ashfield-Plainfield Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the Dog Officer's Expenses, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or borrow the sum of \$22,800.00 for the purposes of a Phase I Diagnostic/Feasibility Study on Ashfield Lake; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend without further appropriation an additional sum of \$53,200.00 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for said purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,360.00 for Park & Beach operations & maintenance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,324.50 for a Lifeguard and Swimming Instruction for the Town Beach, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to pay the salaries of the Town Officers:

Chairman, Selectmen	\$ 1,000.00
Two Selectmen @ \$800 ea.	1,600.00
Chairman, Assessors	1,000.00
Two Assessors @ \$800 ea.	1,600.00
Treasurer	3,000.00
Tax Collector	1,200.00
Town Clerk	2,000.00
Civil Defense Director	300.00

Fire Chief	600.00
Dog Officer	400.00
Moderator	50.00
Three Members, Board of Health @ \$200 ea.	600.00
Chairman, School Comm.	200.00
Two Members, School Comm. @ \$150 ea.	300.00
Total:	<u>\$13,850.00</u>

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to pay for structural repairs to the Town Hall, and to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to draw on the Frederick A. Cross General Purpose Fund for this amount, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to be used for Town Hall Renovation and to accept any monies and/or grants which may be received for these purposes, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize Selectmen to contract with the Ashfield Water Company for the use of hydrants for fire protection and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,302.70 for that purpose.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Overlay Surplus for a Reserve Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 1986 Ambulance Earnings & Gifts in the amount of \$2,057.90 deposited in the Ambulance Maintenance Fund to be used to maintain and equip the Town Ambulance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Town's share of the Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 to pay the salary of the Police Chief, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000.00 to be used for the general operations of the Police Department, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,523.20 as the Town's share of the

joint Wiring, Plumbing and Gas Inspector Program, or act relative thereto.

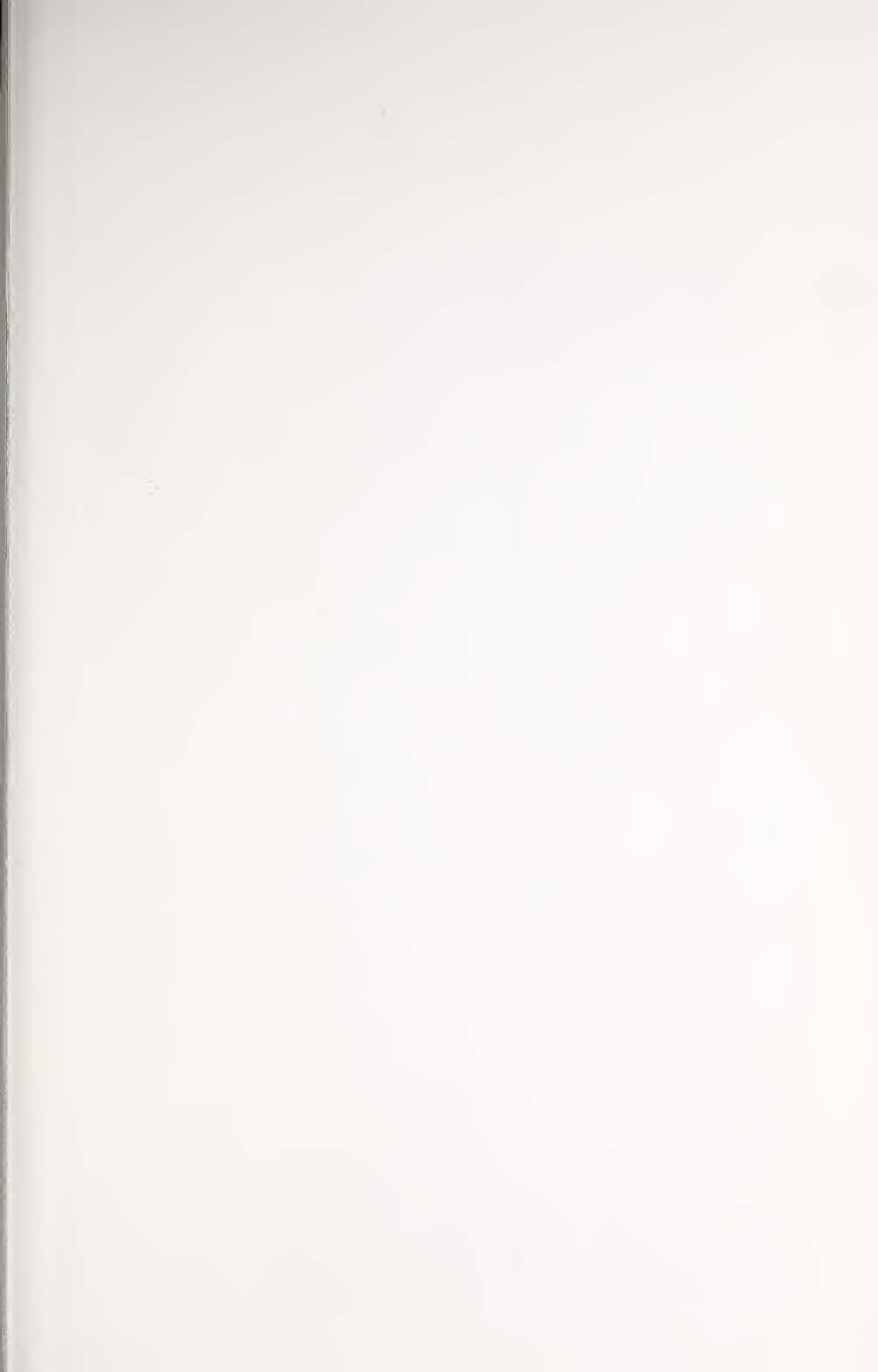
ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for the general operations of the Belding Memorial Library as well as to accept any other State or Federal Aid, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,270.00 to pay Ashfield's share of the Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 from Free Cash to pay the Interest on Sewer Loans, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Free Cash and transfer into the Stabilization Fund, or act relative thereto.

ROBERT ROBERTSON
DALE A. KIRKPATRICK
THOMAS S. CARTER
Board of Selectmen





Steeple restoration work group, August 3, 1986

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Flood Damage, April 4, 1987

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Brookline

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Boston, Massachusetts 02133

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House of Representatives, State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Margaret H. Herlihy, Chairman, Deerfield
Term expires January, 1989

Francis R. Pleasant, Montague
Term expires January, 1989

William D. Benson, Greenfield
Term expires January, 1991

Town Officers

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors hold regular weekly meetings every Monday at the Town Offices in the Town Hall from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

MODERATOR

MICHAEL E.C. GERY

AUDITOR

DAVID D. NEWELL

1 yr. terms

CLERK

ELEANOR M. WARD

TREASURER

JANET M. SWEM

TREE WARDEN

RAMON R. SEARS

TAX COLLECTOR 3 yr. term

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1988

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 yr. term

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1988

ROBERT ROBERTSON

Term expires 1989

THOMAS S. CARTER, Chr.

Term expires 1990

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 3 yr. term

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1988

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chr.

Term expires 1989

RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Term expires 1990

FINANCE COMMITTEE

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1988

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1988

THOMAS G. CRANSTON, Chr.

Term expires 1989

PAUL E. SWEM

Term expires 1989

LINDA L. TAYLOR

Term expires 1990

ALAN W. LILLY

Term expires 1990

SANDERSON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

ABIGAIL A. WILSON

Term expires 1988

FRANCIS C. DUFRESNE

Term expires 1989

M. DIANNE MULLER, Chr.

Term expires 1990

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

3 yr. term

ALDEN J. GRAY (Resigned 6/7/87)

Term expires 1989

ROBERT A. MILLER (App't 6/8/87)

App't expires 1988

BOARD OF HEALTH 3 yr. term

FREDERICK H. GRAVES, JR.

Term expires 1988

DOROTHY L. LONGLEY

Term expires 1989

BRUCE A. BENNETT

Term expires 1990

CONSTABLES 3 yr. term

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1989

JOHN A. LaBELLE

Term expires 1989

WALTER D. ZALENSKI

Term expires 1989

PARK COMMISSIONERS 3 yr. term

RICHARD G. MULLER	Term expires 1988
KENNETH W. RILLINGS, Chr.	Term expires 1989
SUZANNE L. MOORE	Term expires 1990

PLANNING BOARD 5 yr. term

ELIZABETH B. BEEBE	Term expires 1988
EUGENE H. POISSANT	Term expires 1989
NORMAN C. SCOTT	Term expires 1990
MARK W. ZENICK, Chr. (Resigned 1/13/88)	Term expires 1991
MARY FITZ-GIBBON, Clerk	Term expires 1992

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 5 yr. term

CLAYTON C. CRAFT	Term expires 1988
ANN N. LILLY (Resigned 1/12/88)	Term expires 1989
CAROL J. PEPYNE (Resigned 9/10/87)	Term expires 1990
MICHELINE DUFAU (App't 10/26/87)	App't expires 1988
NOAH GORDON	Term expires 1991
RICHARD M. EVANS	Term expires 1992

THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT:

BOARD OF APPEALS

CLAYTON C. CRAFT	June, 1988
JOHN F. McNIFF, Chr.	June, 1989
RALPH E. TOWNSLEY	June, 1990
WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, Assoc.	June, 1988
KENNETH A. LILLY, Assoc.	June, 1989

ARTS COUNCIL

NANCY L. RILLINGS	June, 1988
RUTH K. ZENICK	June, 1988
SANDRA J. CARTER	June, 1988
JANE F. LUND	June, 1988
NORMAN L. RUSSELL	June, 1988
BEVERLY A. WILLIAMS, Chr.	October, 1989
MARY JANE JOHNSON	October, 1989

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

RUTH J. CRAFT	June, 1988
SUSAN McGOWAN	June, 1989
ANNE YURYAN	June, 1989
DEANNE BROCHU, Chr.	June, 1990
THOMAS ULRICH	June, 1990

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

NATHANIEL D. SMITH	June, 1988
JOANNE OSTROWSKI	June, 1989
ALDEN J. GRAY	June, 1990
E. WILL HEISER	June, 1991
HELEN E. DOYLE	June, 1992

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOANNE OSTROWSKI	June, 1988
STEVEN W. LILLY, Chr.	June, 1988
RUSSELL V. LOOMIS, Jr.	June, 1989
MARY K. WIGMORE	June, 1989
ROLAND D. TAYLOR (Resigned 11/9/87)	June, 1990
ALAN SURPRENANT (App't 11/9/87)	June, 1990

COUNCIL ON AGING

SYLVIA MONK, Chr.	June, 1988
MARIANNA T. GRAVES	June, 1989
GEORGE C. MONK	June, 1989
FERN D. NYE	June, 1990
HELENE WALKER	June, 1990

ENERGY RESOURCES COMMISSION

DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	June, 1988
DAVID A. KNOWLES	June, 1988
PHILIP E. PLESS, Chr.	June, 1989
ELLIOTT MARSH	June, 1990
CURTIS E. PICHETTE	June, 1990

4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE

FRED H. REES, Chr.	July, 1988
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

ANGELINA M. O'DONNELL	JUNE M. FITZGERALD
ELEANOR M. WARD	

AMBULANCE SERVICE

DIANNE D. FIELD	Co-Directors	DOUGLAS M. FIELD
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LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HARRY L. DODSON, Chr.	ROBERT L. DOMLESKY
JUDITH M. GRAVES	ANNE YURYAN
DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	WALTER D. ZALENSKI
ROBERT F. WILSON	RICHARD G. MULLER
RAYMOND T. CASSIDY	RICHARD H. GOUGEON

REGIONAL SOLID WASTE PLANNING COMMITTEE

RAYMOND T. CASSIDY	RICHARD M. EVANS
JEFFREY M. POLLEN	

CHIEF OF POLICE

WARREN KIRKPATRICK (Resigned 11/15/87)
ROGER H. HMIELESKI (Acting Chief)

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN

ROBERT VAN IDERSTINE (Resigned 6/30/87)
DOUGLAS M. FIELD (App't 6/30/87)

BUILDING INSPECTOR

STEVEN A. JUDGE (Resigned 12/1/87)
JOHN DOUGHERTY (App't 12/1/87)

WIRING, PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR PROGRAM

PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI (Plumbing & Gas)
EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA (Wiring)

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

ROGER H. HMIELESKI (Resigned 5/11/87)

CARMEN J. DeLUCA, JR. (App't 5/18/87)

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

LESLIE C. LADD

VETERANS' AGENT

EUGENE E. BALAZS

BURIAL AGENT

GEORGE F. BICKFORD

DOG OFFICER

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

THOMAS G. POISSANT

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

BRUCE E. WILLARD

FREDERICK W. WELLS TRUSTEE

DOUGLAS M. CHANDLER

May, 1990

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

HELEN E. DOYLE

EDWARD F. LAGOY

JOHN L. MATTIS

EMILIANNA STREETER

DAVID GOLD

DOROTHY M. HALL

THOMAS W. GAMBINO

FIELD DRIVERS & POUND KEEPERS

E. WILL HEISER

ROLAND E. TOWNSLEY

SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER

RAMON R. SEARS

FENCE VIEWERS

CHARLES C. GRAY

JOHN R. MOTT

Selectmen's Report

Since our last report was published, the Selectmen have been busy on several projects. Ordinary day to day and year to year business is more than enough to keep any three volunteers busy. For a time we really felt our hands were full when problems concerning development pressures, sewer systems, filling volunteer town positions and the April Flood arrived. The board was very pleased to have such efficient and reliable administrative personnel.

Last summer the towns of Ashfield and Hawley were faced with the possible development on 43 lots of farmland owned by Albert Farms. Even with the increased tax revenues these homes would generate, we and many others quickly realized that they would also create a financial nightmare for the town. With the assistance of the Franklin Land Trust and other non-profit conservation organizations, the town, land owner and developer were able to come up with a reasonable compromise.

As you can see from the ease with which you travel through the village, we are still awaiting approval on a sewer system plan. Senator Oliver and Representative Healy have given us much assistance in dealing with the State bureaucracy. Unfortunately, DEQE seems to be having great difficulty in deciding what they can and cannot approve. This puts Ashfield in a "beat-the-clock" position. If this procrastination continues and the sewer project is not underway by October, 1988, our EPA funding (40% of the cost of the facility) is scheduled to be discontinued. The Selectmen are vigorously campaigning to gain approval of a system which will not "break the bank" but will clean up the environment.

In our modern society it is becoming extremely difficult to find people to fill volunteer positions in town government. The Selectmen receive resignations monthly from various committee members who feel they are not able to fulfill their commitments due to a lack of time. We strongly urge people to volunteer and share the increased load that all town officials struggle to bear.

As certainly all can remember, last April 4th Ashfield, along with its neighbors, was caught by the worst flood in years. Many sections of many roads were completely destroyed. This office has worked tirelessly with the State and Federal authorities to secure as much financial assistance as possible. At this point in time, we are quite pleased with the results on paper but, of course, the proof will be in the pudding. Many, many thanks to all who helped both during and after the flood. The support and concern that was shown by so many, and the sheer patience exhibited by others demonstrated what the true assets of a small community are.

Ashfield's financial position in '87 remained secure but only because of much prudent planning. A new road grader was purchased in '87. In an attempt to maintain a minimal amount of reserve and yet make this investment, the town encumbered a 5-year debt for approximately 75% of the purchase price. The Selectmen maintain their position that adequately funding the Stabilization Fund is necessary when planning for future growth and needs of our community.

The Selectmen have appointed Mr. Gary Sibilia as our new Police Chief. We hope you can all find time to welcome him and his family to Ashfield and also alert him to any concerns you may have.

THOMAS S. CARTER
DALE A. KIRKPATRICK
ROBERT ROBERTSON
Board of Selectmen

Financial Statement Fiscal 1987

July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987

AMBULANCE FUND

Balance Forward, 7/1/86	\$ 3,093.84
Earnings & Gifts	3,951.90
Interest earned	<u>141.09</u>
	\$ 7,186.83

Medical equipment	\$ 368.29
Oxygen	81.25
Telephone	666.30
Office supplies	56.56
Uniforms	248.39
Ambulance maint.	253.01
Radios, pagers & repairs	777.00
Insurance	1,319.00
Training	<u>162.00</u>
	\$ 3,931.80

Ambulance Fund Total	\$ 3,255.03
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NEW AMBULANCE

Special Mtg., 6/29/87 Transfers	\$ 14,000.00
Unexpended balance forward	<u>\$ 14,000.00</u>

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Supplies	\$ 17.35
Planning & mapping	<u>50.00</u>
	\$ 67.35
Balance to General Fund	\$ 32.65

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$ 11,000.00
Typing & secretarial	\$ 8,590.50
Registry of Deeds	135.50
Postage & envelopes	120.90
Dues & seminars	101.00
Office supplies	78.54
Lister services & equip.	488.69
Tax billing	242.76
Printer repair & supplies	<u>112.00</u>
	\$ 9,869.89
Balance to General Fund	\$ 1,130.11

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING

Appropriation (Rev. Sharing)	\$ 2,750.00
Thomas J. Scanlon, Public Accountant	\$ 2,750.00

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 5,000.00
Belding Memorial Library	\$ 5,000.00	

BLUE CROSS - BLUE SHIELD

Appropriation		\$ 18,000.00
Transfer to Interest on Loans		- 7,000.00
Transfer to Medicare		- 1,000.00
Transfer to New Ambulance		5,000.00
Transfer to Transfer Station		1,500.00
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		\$ 3,500.00
Expended	\$ 3,147.86	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 352.14

BONDS

Appropriation		\$ 600.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		69.00
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		\$ 669.00
Expended	\$ 669.00	

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAMS

Appropriation		\$ 5,369.00
Expended	\$ 5,369.00	

CARE OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Ashfield Burial Ground Assoc.	\$ 350.00	

CHAPTER 234 - CONSTRUCTION**Baptist Cor., Hawley, Bug Hill, Bear Swamp**

Balance forward, 7/1/86		\$ 22,296.83
Payroll	\$ 4,314.24	
Gravel	1,915.38	
Stone	927.08	
Hired equipment	1,719.95	
Bit. concrete	2,824.64	
Blacktop	4,681.06	
Trap rock	1,635.89	
Line painting	445.00	
Culverts	2,069.55	
	<hr/>	\$ 20,532.79
Balance carried forward		\$ 1,764.04

CHAPTER 140 - CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation (Borrowing - \$26,949)		\$ 35,949.00
Balance carried forward		\$ 35,949.00

CHAPTER 497 - GENERAL HIGHWAY FUND

Balance Forward, 7/1/86		\$ 5,984.42
Appropriation		<hr/>
		25,000.00

Special Mtg., 11/10/86

\$ 30,984.42

3,149.00

\$ 34,133.42

Payroll	\$ 25,260.16
Hired equipment	1,853.58
Bit. concrete	5,032.24
Cold patch	515.90
Gravel	100.99
Asphalt	168.00
Stone	343.78
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	\$ 33,274.65

Balance carried forward

\$ 858.77

CHAPTER 637 — FLOOD DAMAGE REPAIRS

Balance forward, 7/1/86 \$ 58,880.00

Payroll	\$ 2,895.84
Hired equipment	1,263.00
Culverts	14,456.17
Gravel	18,939.17
Guardrails	925.25
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	\$ 38,479.43

State reimbursement - Flood Damage

- 38,479.43

\$ 0.00

Balance carried forward

\$ 58,880.00

CHAPTER 811 - CONSTRUCTION

Fiscal 1986

Transportation Bond Issue \$ 50,780.00

Payroll	\$ 187.60
Bit. concrete	20,869.97
Engineering study - Bridges	4,000.00
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	\$ 25,057.57

Balance carried forward

\$ 25,722.43

Fiscal 1987

Transportation Bond Issue \$ 50,780.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Balance forward, 7/1/86 \$ 40.50

Appropriation 200.00

Transfer from Reserve Fund 259.50

\$ 500.00

Purchase of C.D. Radio \$ 500.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation \$ 100.00

Dues & Regulations \$ 100.00

DOG OFFICER EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	250.00
Supplies	\$ 110.14		
Balance to General Fund		\$	139.86

ELECTIONS

Appropriation		\$	800.00
Election Officers	\$ 662.50		
Ballots	124.00		
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	\$ 786.50		
Balance to General Fund		\$	13.50

FIRES & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$	7,765.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			600.00
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		\$	8,365.00
Payroll	\$ 2,500.00		
Gasoline	400.00		
Fire phone	507.06		
Station phone	596.92		
Truck repairs	362.60		
New equipment	697.24		
Equipment repairs	205.75		
Radio repairs	965.60		
Supplies	606.67		
Postage	12.28		
Dues	114.50		
Water	13.10		
Insurance	933.00		
Training & travel exp.	130.95		
Station materials	274.64		
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	\$ 8,320.31		
Balance to General Fund		\$	44.69

FIRE STATION WEATHERSTRIPPING

Unexpended balance forward		\$	312.00
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FIRE STATION/TOWN HALL - ALARM SYSTEM

Balance forward		\$	3,051.00
Special Mtg., 11/10/86			2,251.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			131.00
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		\$	5,433.00
Gene Poissant, Elect. Cont.	\$ 5,170.00		
Detecto Guard, Inc.	263.00		
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	\$ 5,433.00		

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$	500.00
Office expenses	\$ 20.55		

Training seminars	50.00	
Fees	35.00	
Lake testing	36.00	
	<u>\$ 141.55</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 358.45
HEATING TOWN BUILDINGS		
Appropriation		\$ 3,400.00
Fire Station	\$ 1,494.33	
Town Hall	1,090.36	
	<u>\$ 2,584.69</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 815.31
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY		
Appropriation		\$ 17,600.00
Expended	\$ 17,307.60	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 292.40
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - PAID VACATIONS & HOLIDAYS		
Appropriation		\$ 7,300.00
Expended	\$ 6,474.56	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 825.44
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - SICK LEAVE		
Balance forward, 7/1/86		\$ 3,069.49
Appropriation		<u>2,500.00</u>
		\$ 5,569.49
Expended	\$ 2,437.38	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 3,132.11
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - SANDER		
Appropriation (Revenue Sharing)		\$ 5,950.00
Hatfield, Inc.	\$ 5,950.00	
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS		
Appropriation		\$ 125.00
Thomas G. Poissant	\$ 125.00	
INSURANCE - PUBLIC OFFICIAL LIABILITY		
Appropriation (Revenue Sharing)		\$ 2,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>265.00</u>
		\$ 2,765.00
Mass. Interlocal Insurance Agency	\$ 2,765.00	
INSURANCE - TOWN BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT		
Appropriation		\$ 27,950.00
Special Mtg., 1/7/87 (Overlay Surplus)		<u>5,545.00</u>
		\$ 33,495.00
Fleet Insurance	\$ 8,928.00	
Emergency Vehicles	4,381.00	
Multiperil - Buildings	19,701.00	

Boiler Insurance - School

485.00

\$ 33,495.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Special Mtg., 7/28/87 Transfers		<u>11,000.00</u>
		\$ 13,500.00
First Nat'l Bank of Boston	\$ 4,363.39	
Special Mtg., 6/29/87		
Transfer to New Ambulance Acc't	<u>9,000.00</u>	
	\$ 13,363.39	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 136.61

INTEREST - SEWER LOANS

Special Mtg., 11/10/86 (Free Cash)		\$ 10,000.00
United Savings; Bay Bank-Easthampton	\$ 9,145.19	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 854.81

LIFEGUARD & SWIMMING INSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 3,171.50
Lifeguard & Aides	\$ 2,683.49	
Advertising	<u>324.03</u>	
	\$ 3,007.52	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 163.98

MACHINERY EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 35,000.00
Special Mtg., 6/29/87 Transfer		<u>1,000.00</u>
		\$ 36,000.00
Parts & repairs - equip.	\$ 20,954.55	
Electricity	544.41	
Telephone	508.89	
Supplies & equip.	1,298.35	
Gas & diesel fuel	11,400.90	
Tires	61.00	
Safety inspections & equip.	87.42	
Radios & repairs	438.36	
Water	15.50	
Wiring	102.40	
Workshop	<u>20.00</u>	
	\$ 35,431.78	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 568.22

MEDICARE

Special Mtg., 7/28/86 Transfer		\$ 1,000.00
Expended	\$ 391.85	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 608.15

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>150.01</u>
		\$ 500.01

School Band	\$ 100.00
Flowers	199.00
Flags & Markers	201.01
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	\$ 500.01

NURSE & HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Major King Fund	<hr/>
	700.00
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Visiting Nurse & Health Services	\$ 800.00

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - OFFICE

Appropriation	\$ 17,500.00
Expended	\$ 17,500.00

PART-TIME CLERICAL - OFFICE

Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00
Transfer to Transfer Station	<hr/>
	- 1,000.00
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	\$ 1,500.00
Expended	\$ 999.50
Balance to General Fund	\$ 500.50

OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00
Telephone	\$ 473.55
Dues	310.00
Supplies	474.18
Advertising	519.82
Computer Lists	70.00
Postage & envelopes	173.49
Photocopy supplies	229.92
Computer training	200.00
Computer supplies	49.90
Meetings & travel exp.	450.52
Equipment & repair maint.	122.60
Planning services	141.53
Transfer station stickers	350.00
Flood related expenses	224.01
Vital statistic fees	210.48
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	\$ 4,000.00

PARKS & BEACH

Appropriation	\$ 1,800.00
Electricity	\$ 317.06
Telephone	74.56
Supplies	205.52
Water	42.75
Beach sand	600.00
Tennis nets	184.00
Water testing	176.00

Pamphlets	6.00	
Safety equipment	28.25	
Mowing	123.00	
	<u>\$ 1,757.14</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 42.86
PARK - DOCK REPAIR		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 600.00</u>
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 600.00
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Secretarial	\$ 388.88	
Advertising	330.36	
Supplies	7.20	
Legal Fees	250.00	
	<u>\$ 976.44</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 23.56
POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>
Transfer to Interest on Loans		- 2,500.00
		<u>\$ 17,500.00</u>
Expended	\$ 17,500.00	
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Appropriation		<u>\$ 16,000.00</u>
Transfer from Reserve Fund		1,438.32
Special Mtg., 6/29/87 Transfer		903.00
		<u>\$ 18,341.32</u>
Payroll	\$ 2,588.25	
Telephone	1,227.88	
Cruiser repairs	1,262.73	
Radar & telephone equip.	709.26	
Radio repairs	386.75	
Equipment & equipment repairs	486.62	
Liability insurance	4,850.00	
Gasoline	1,632.74	
Office expenses	912.37	
Tires	21.00	
Uniforms & equipment	2,654.36	
Flood related expenses	1,219.43	
Dues & travel exp.	68.60	
Training	250.27	
Postage	40.40	
	<u>\$18,310.66</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 30.66

POLICE CRUISER

Appropriation (Revenue Sharing)		\$ 12,788.00
Natick Auto Sales	\$ 11,948.00	
West. Mass. Comm. - Radios	617.30	
	<u>\$ 12,565.30</u>	
Balance to Revenue Sharing		\$ 222.70

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Appropriation		\$ 250.00
Expended	\$ 250.00	

RENT OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,302.70
Ashfield Water Co.	\$ 1,302.70	

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)		\$ 5,000.00
Bonds	\$ 69.00	
Civil Defense	259.50	
Fire Alarm System	131.00	
Fires & Equipment	600.00	
Insurance - Public Official Liab.	265.00	
Memorial Day	150.01	
Police Department	1,438.32	
Preservation of Records	253.20	
Tax Collector	331.25	
Town Counsel	1,212.72	
Town Hall	250.00	
Town Reports	40.00	
	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Appropriation		\$ 33,740.00
Expended	\$ 33,740.00	

SANDERSON ACADEMY - BOILER

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)		
Special Mtg., 7/28/86		\$ 30,000.00
Industrial Heat Corp.	\$ 30,000.00	

SANDERSON ACADEMY - INTERIM WARRANTS

Appropriation (Overlay Surplus)		
Special Mtg., 7/28/86		\$ 7,000.00
Expended	\$ 6,944.39	
Reimbursed by Ashfield Plainfield		
School District	<u>(6,944.39)</u>	
Balance to Overlay Surplus		\$ 7,000.00

SANDERSON ACADEMY - PAINTING

Appropriation (Fred Cross)		
Special Mtg., 7/28/86		\$ 3,500.00

William Gray	\$ 2,935.75	
Balance to Fred Cross Fund		\$ 564.25

**ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Appropriation - Special Mtg., 7/28/86		\$ 695.71
Expended	\$ 649.97	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 45.74

**SANDERSON ACADEMY -
ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Appropriation		\$443,368.00
Vote rescinded		
Special Mtg., 7/28/86		- 443,368.00
		0.00
Appropriation - Special Mtg., 7/28/86		\$351,052.33
Expended	\$351,052.33	

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$289,103.93
Expended	\$289,103.93	

STABILIZATION FUND

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 15,000.00
Balance in Stabilization Fund as of 6/30/87		\$ 15,000.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 4,950.00
WMECO	\$ 4,647.99	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 302.01

STREET LISTING & SCHOOL CENSUS

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Accounts Receivable		250.00
		\$ 600.00
Data Collection	\$ 425.00	
Computer Service	175.00	
	\$ 600.00	

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		331.25
Postage & Envelopes	\$ 960.58	
Printed Forms	1,019.92	
Supplies	150.25	
Dues	17.50	
Computer Printout	170.00	
Box Rent	13.00	
	\$ 2,331.25	

TAX MAPPING

Unexpended balance, 7/1/86

Revenue Sharing \$ 1,000.00

Unexpended balance forward \$ 1,000.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation \$ 650.00

Telephone \$ 426.37

Dues 18.00

Legal fees 130.63

Computer printout 75.00

\$ 650.00

TOWN COUNSEL

Appropriation \$ 4,000.00

Transfer from Reserve Fund 1,212.72

\$ 5,212.72

Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, et al \$ 5,212.72

TOWN HALL - HANDICAP ACCESS

Appropriation (Fred Cross) \$ 2,000.00

Unexpended balance forward \$ 2,000.00

TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$ 2,500.00

Transfer from Reserve Fund 250.00

\$ 2,750.00

Janitorial \$ 1,168.19

Electricity 904.97

Water 26.15

Supplies 118.07

Safety Inspections 20.00

Furnace Repair 10.00

Bench Repairs 440.03

\$ 2,687.41

Balance to General Fund \$ 62.59

TOWN HALL - PAINTING & RESTORATION

Appropriation \$ 1,000.00

Unexpended balance forward \$ 1,000.00

TOWN HALL - STRUCTURAL REPAIR & PAINTING

Unexpended balance, 7/1/86 \$ 744.80

Appropriation (Fred Cross) 3,000.00

\$ 3,744.80

Window repair \$ 60.00

Sill & siding repair 735.48

\$ 795.48

Unexpended balance forward \$ 2,949.32

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		\$ 13,850.00
Thomas Carter, Selectman	\$ 900.00	
Dale Kirkpatrick, Selectman	800.00	
Robert Robertson, Selectman	900.00	
Malcolm Clark, Assessor	1,000.00	
Richard Gougeon, Assessor	133.33	
Steven Judge, Assessor	666.67	
Elisabeth Nye, Assessor	800.00	
Michael E.C. Gery, Moderator	50.00	
Roger Hmieleski, Civil Defense Dir.	250.00	
Carmen DeLuca, Civil Defense Dir.	50.00	
Janet Swem, Treasurer	3,000.00	
Marian Fitzgerald, Tax Collector	1,200.00	
Eleanor Ward, Town Clerk	2,000.00	
Robert VanInderstine	600.00	
Warren Kirkpatrick, Dog Officer	400.00	
Frederick Graves, Jr., Bd. of Health	200.00	
Sidney Arje, Bd. of Health	50.00	
Bruce Bennett, Bd. of Health	33.34	
Dorothy Longley, Bd. of Health	33.34	
Sarah Millner, Bd. of Health	166.66	
Tom Murphy, Bd. of Health	100.00	
M. Dianne Muller, School Comm.	200.00	
Francis Dufresne, School Comm.	150.00	
Abigail Wilson, School Comm.	150.00	
	<u>\$ 13,833.34</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 16.66

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,800.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>40.00</u>
		\$ 1,840.00
Printing	\$ 1,789.75	
Distribution	<u>50.00</u>	
	\$ 1,839.75	
Balance to General Fund		\$.25

TRANSFER STATION

Appropriation		\$ 37,500.00
Special Mtg., 6/29/87 Transfer		<u>5,000.00</u>
		\$ 42,500.00
Dump attendant	\$ 5,295.00	
Electricity	273.41	
Telephone	187.96	
Supplies	200.18	
Hired Equipment	3,797.62	
Gravel	2,103.60	
Hauling & rental of equip.	15,870.00	
Landfill disposal	<u>12,882.46</u>	

Rent of land	500.00
Recycling station	833.30
Replacement salary	100.00

\$ 42,043.53

Balance to General Fund \$ 456.47

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation \$ 1,000.00

Postage & envelopes	\$ 371.36
Computer rental	300.00
Filing fees	45.00
Travel expenses	15.00
Printed forms & checks	109.95
Box rental	13.00
Legal fees	108.53

\$ 962.84

Balance to General Fund \$ 37.16

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation \$ 2,800.00

Payroll	\$ 2,023.25
Hired equipment	743.25
Supplies	18.40

\$ 2,784.90

Balance to General Fund \$ 15.10

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Appropriation (Free Cash) \$ 1,000.00

Transfer to Police Dept. - 903.00

Balance to Free Cash \$ 97.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation \$ 100.00

Major King Fund 754.56

\$ 854.56

Expended \$ 854.56

VETERANS' CENTER

Appropriation (Revenue Sharing) \$ 3,301.95

Expended \$ 3,298.16

Balance to Revenue Sharing \$ 3.79

WESTERN MASS. INTERVENTION

Appropriation \$ 200.00

Western Mass. Coalition of Gov't Inst. \$ 200.00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation \$ 41,000.00

Special Mtg., 2/09/87 (Free Cash) 30,000.00

Transfer to Transfer Station - 2,500.00

Transfer to Machinery Expenses - 1,000.00

\$ 67,500.00

Payroll	\$ 32,096.57
Winter sand	14,747.57
Salt	6,914.57
Hired equip.	1,860.58
Gravel	5,353.80
Misc. supplies/repairs	493.89
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	\$ 61,466.98

Balance to General Fund	\$ 6,033.02
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WIRING & PLUMBING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation	\$ 3,095.40
Expended	\$ 3,095.40

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation (Free Cash)	\$ 9,000.00
Reimbursement from Ashfield Plainfield School District	474.77
Transfer to Interest on Loans	<hr/> - 1,500.00
	\$ 7,974.77
Expended	\$ 7,735.00
Balance to General Fund	\$ 239.77

APRIL '87 FLOOD ACCOUNT

HIGHWAY:

Payroll	\$ 9,200.01
Hired Equip.	26,227.50
Gravel	60,321.60
Traprock	1,482.64
Rented equip.	13,057.00
Culverts	2,665.05
Materials	3,815.46
Contract acc't - Hawley/Bear Swamp Rds.	<hr/> 72,705.04
	\$189,474.30

EMERGENCY CREW:

Gas	\$ 253.65
Search & Rescue	3,975.90
Warning Devices	1,523.69
Destroyed equip.	22.50
Police equip.	504.91
Rental - town vehicles	<hr/> 407.00
	\$ 6,687.65

Total expended	\$196,161.95
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ASHFIELD COMMUNITY SEPTIC SYSTEM & SEWERS

Fund Balance, 7/1/86		\$ 49,274.51
Federal Grant received		1,823.00
Audit adjustment (Diff. between interest paid & rec'd)		<u>331.56</u>
Legal fees	\$ 94.68	51,429.07
Fund balance, 6/30/87		\$ 51,334.39

FEASIBILITY STUDY - WEST END OF LAKE

Unexpended Balance Forward	\$ 4,500.00
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**Town of Ashfield
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1987**

ASSETS**Cash:**

General	\$ 316,999.25	
Federal Revenue Sharing	13,984.51	
Ambulance	3,255.03	
Sewer Fund	<u>51,334.39</u>	
		\$ 385,573.18

Accounts Receivable:**Real Estate Taxes:**

Levy of 1976-1981	\$ 904.62	
Levy of 1982	111.78	
Levy of 1983	605.85	
Levy of 1984	930.75	
Levy of 1985	1,920.22	
Levy of 1986	10,638.40	
Levy of 1987	<u>28,662.52</u>	
		\$ 43,774.14

Personal Property Taxes:

Levy of 1974-1980	\$ 919.90	
Levy of 1981	5.31	
Levy of 1982	33.16	
Levy of 1983	72.64	
Levy of 1984	91.84	
Levy of 1985	40.49	
Levy of 1986	26.46	
Levy of 1987	<u>749.61</u>	
		\$ 1,939.41

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1973-1980	\$	9,719.60
Levy of 1981		183.15
Levy of 1982		378.38
Levy of 1983		563.49
Levy of 1984		1,028.85
Levy of 1985		1,150.29
Levy of 1986		2,666.29
Levy of 1987		<u>2,472.28</u>
	\$	18,162.33
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1986	\$	5.17
Levy of 1987		<u>4.11</u>
	\$	9.28
Forest Products Tax:		
Levy of 1984	\$	20.00
State Aid to Highway	\$	53,896.00
Federal Grant Receivable - Sewer		777,823.00
State Grant Receivable - Sewer		127,211.00
FEMA Federal Grant Receivable		343,478.00
County Dog		<u>300.00</u>
		\$1,302,708.00
Loans Authorized		580,000.00
Due from Fred Cross Trust Fund		8,575.33
Belding Endowment Trust Fund		615.25
Flood Damage Grant		195,716.69
State Assessment - County Tax		<u>.28</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,537,093.89

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Withholding Taxes Payable	\$	1,708.73
Temporary Notes:		
Anticipation of Grant	\$	200,000.00
State Assessment - Energy Conservation	\$	36.00
Overlays:		
1974-1982	\$	2,234.46
1983		1,091.59
1984		4,384.50
1985		9,335.99
1986		26,557.89
1987		<u>28,153.04</u>
	\$	71,757.47
Overlay Surplus	\$	73,224.59
Revenues Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$	18,162.33
State Aid to Highway		53,896.00
Sewer Grant Revenue		706,857.00
FEMA Flood Grant Revenue		<u>343,478.00</u>
		\$1,122,393.33

Unexpended Balances:	
Ambulance Fund	\$ 3,255.03
Park Funds	415.09
Fourth of July Fund	1,796.31
Steeple Fund	3,073.93
Town Hall Restoration Fund	190.00
Council on Aging Grant	166.46
Collector's Costs	100.00
Arts Council Grant	190.00
Chapter 811 Grant	76,502.43
Chapter 637 Grant	52,580.00
Insurance Claim Reimbursement -	
Boilers	9,400.00
Dog Refund	796.99
Road Machinery Fund	1,353.04
State Aid to Library	(1,250.00)
School Energy Grant	212.50
Division of Water Pollution Control	<u>13,111.00</u>
	\$ 161,892.78
Loans Authorized and Unissued	580,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	12,984.51
Sewer Project Balance	49,511.39
Appropriation Balances:	
General	\$ 29,169.24
Federal Revenue Sharing	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$ 30,169.24
Surplus Revenue	<u>233,415.85</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	<u><u>\$2,537,093.89</u></u>

THOMAS J. SCANLON
Public Accountant

Tax Collector's Report

July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1973

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 515.10
Audit Adjustment		7.43
Audit Adjustment	\$ 29.64	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>492.89</u>	
	\$ 522.53	\$ 522.53

1974

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 808.23
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 808.23</u>	
	\$ 808.23	\$ 808.23

1975

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,041.98
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 1,041.98</u>	
	\$ 1,041.98	\$ 1,041.98

1976

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,621.45
Audit Adjustment		27.22
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 1,648.67</u>	
	\$ 1,648.67	\$ 1,648.67

1977

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 609.86
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 609.86</u>	
	\$ 609.86	\$ 609.86

1978

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 2,258.43
Audit Adjustment	\$ 49.52	
Payment to Treasurer	16.50	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>2,192.41</u>	
	\$ 2,258.43	\$ 2,258.43

1979

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,563.13
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 1,563.13</u>	
	\$ 1,563.13	\$ 1,563.13

1980

Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,818.93
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 456.50	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>1,362.43</u>	
	\$ 1,818.93	\$ 1,818.93

1981		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 350.65
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 167.50	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>183.15</u>	
	\$ 350.65	\$ 350.65
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 394.63
Audit Adjustment		6.25
Abatement	\$ 17.50	
Payment to Treasurer	5.00	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>378.38</u>	
	\$ 400.88	\$ 400.88
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 711.54
Abatement	\$ 11.26	
Payments to Treasurer	136.79	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>563.49</u>	
	\$ 711.54	\$ 711.54
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,566.98
Audit Adjustment	\$ 100.94	
Payment to Treasurer	437.19	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>1,028.85</u>	
	\$ 1,566.98	\$ 1,566.98
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,731.45
Commitment		738.61
Audit Adjustment	\$ 185.38	100.94
Refunds		49.76
Abatements	238.26	
Payments to Treasurer	1,046.83	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>1,150.29</u>	
	\$ 2,620.76	\$ 2,620.76
1986		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 10,294.81
Commitment		15,690.44
Audit Adjustment		99.36
Refunds		467.53
Abatements	\$ 1,638.29	
Payments to Treasurer	22,247.56	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>2,666.29</u>	
	\$ 26,552.14	\$ 26,552.14

1987		
Commitment		\$ 32,323.75
Refunds		340.13
Abatements	\$ 1,007.27	
Payments to Treasurer	29,184.33	
Outstanding 6-30-87	2,472.28	
	<u>\$ 32,663.88</u>	<u>\$ 32,663.88</u>

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1974		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 57.38
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 57.38	
	<u>\$ 57.38</u>	<u>\$ 57.38</u>

1975		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 126.24
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 126.24	
	<u>\$ 126.24</u>	<u>\$ 126.24</u>

1976		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 372.72
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 372.72	
	<u>\$ 372.72</u>	<u>\$ 372.72</u>

1977		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 57.19
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 57.19	
	<u>\$ 57.19</u>	<u>\$ 57.19</u>

1978		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 63.82
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 63.82	
	<u>\$ 63.82</u>	<u>\$ 63.82</u>

1979		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 206.85
Payment to Treasurer	\$.76	
Outstanding 6-30-87	206.09	
	<u>\$ 206.85</u>	<u>\$ 206.85</u>

1980		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 51.25
Audit Adjustment	\$ 14.79	
Outstanding 6-30-87	36.46	
	<u>\$ 51.25</u>	<u>\$ 51.25</u>

1981		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 5.31
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 5.31	
	<u>\$ 5.31</u>	<u>\$ 5.31</u>

1982		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 173.62
Audit Adjustment		43.90
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 96.56	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>33.16</u>	
	\$ 129.72	\$ 129.72
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 399.04
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 326.40	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>72.64</u>	
	\$ 399.04	\$ 399.04
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 373.90
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 282.06	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>91.84</u>	
	\$ 373.90	\$ 373.90
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 189.52
Audit Adjustment	\$ 90.72	38.38
Refunds		8.28
Payment to Treasurer	104.97	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>40.49</u>	
	\$ 236.18	\$ 236.18
1986		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 11,084.36
Audit Adjustment	\$ 9,953.70	1.57
Refunds		31.81
Payment to Treasurer	1,137.58	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>26.46</u>	
	\$ 11,117.74	\$ 11,117.74
1987		
Commitment		\$ 37,605.35
Refunds		120.33
Payments to Treasurer	\$ 36,976.07	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>749.61</u>	
	\$ 37,725.68	\$ 37,725.68
REAL ESTATE		
1976		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 20.56
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 20.56</u>	
	\$ 20.56	\$ 20.56
1979		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 36.52
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 36.52</u>	
	\$ 36.52	\$ 36.52

1980		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 329.80
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 329.80	
	<u>\$ 329.80</u>	<u>\$ 329.80</u>
1981		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 517.14
Outstanding 6-30-87	\$ 517.14	
	<u>\$ 517.14</u>	<u>\$ 517.14</u>
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 230.25
Audit Adjustment		43.90
Refunds		7.64
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 170.01	
Outstanding 6-30-87	111.78	
	<u>\$ 281.79</u>	<u>\$ 281.79</u>
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 692.55
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 86.70	
Outstanding 6-30-87	605.85	
	<u>\$ 692.55</u>	<u>\$ 692.55</u>
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 1,734.52
Audit Adjustment		2,276.08
Payment to Treasurer	3,079.89	
Outstanding 6-30-87	930.75	
	<u>\$ 4,010.60</u>	<u>\$ 4,010.60</u>
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 9,107.23
Audit Adjustment		91.58
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 7,278.59	
Outstanding 6-30-87	1,920.22	
	<u>\$ 9,198.81</u>	<u>\$ 9,198.81</u>
1986		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 42,642.69
Audit Adjustment		9,878.73
Refunds		1,146.36
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 43,029.38	
Outstanding 6-30-87	10,638.40	
	<u>\$ 53,667.78</u>	<u>\$ 53,667.78</u>
1987		
Commitment		\$724,046.92
Refunds		1,881.27
Abatements	\$ 1,898.89	

Payments to Treasurer	695,366.78	
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>28,662.52</u>	
	\$725,928.19	<u>\$725,928.19</u>

FARM

1986		
Commitment		\$ 5,297.90
Payment to Treasurer	<u>\$ 5,297.90</u>	
	\$ 5,297.90	<u>\$ 5,297.90</u>

FOREST PRODUCTS

1984		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 20.00
Outstanding 6-30-87	<u>\$ 20.00</u>	
	\$ 20.00	<u>\$ 20.00</u>

1985		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 794.24
Payments to Treasurer	<u>\$ 794.24</u>	
	\$ 794.24	<u>\$ 794.24</u>

CLASSIFIED FOREST

1986		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 7.68
Audit Adjustment	<u>\$ 25.76</u>	23.25
Outstanding 6-30-87	5.17	
	<u>\$ 30.93</u>	<u>\$ 30.93</u>

1987		
Outstanding 6-30-86		\$ 446.87
Payments to Treasurer	<u>\$ 442.76</u>	
Outstanding 6-30-87	4.11	
	<u>\$ 446.87</u>	<u>\$ 446.87</u>

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD
Tax Collector

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
16	Jessica Joy Lasek	Holly Gass & John Lasek
21	Kelsey Lea Sulinski	Julie (Adams) & Stephen Sulinski
21	Benjamin Edward Keck Matthew John Keck	Alison (Odell) & Russell Keck
FEBRUARY		
2	Benjamin Ashe Rees	Susan (Ashe) & Fred Rees
13	Michael William Lilly	Sandra (Jones) & Steven Lilly
APRIL		
4	Seth Daniel Recore	Tracey (Green) & James Recore
13	Samantha Rae Sheldon	Robin (Fuller) & Richard Sheldon
27	Jason Edward Dyer	Donna (Morton) & William Dyer
27	Kate Margeaux Sawyer	Neiani (Taibbi) & Jeffrey Sawyer
30	Jonathan Michael Retelle	Julie (Pettengill) & Michael Retelle
MAY		
2	Sarah Barondes Weber	Lisa Barondes & Scott Weber
19	Alexandra Prudence Marsh	Prudence (Peckham) & Elliott Marsh

JUNE

14	Lia Marie Kramer	Maria (Munoz) & Stephen Kramer
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JULY

4	Jeremy Noble Winn	Jane (Whittlesey) & Bruce Winn
20	Sara Marie Richards	Linda (Kimball) & Russell Richards
27	Cory Alan DuPont	Patricia (Heath) & Leo DuPont
30	Matthew Calbraith Perry Phelps	Patricia (Arvidson) & Nicholas Phelps
30	Silas Edward Branson	Irene (Gionti) & Joseph Branson

AUGUST

4	William George Sarkisian	Sandra (Robinson) & Richard Sarkisian
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SEPTEMBER

5	Tiarra Alanna Maznick	Michele (Menard) & Daryl Maznick
10	Francis Guy DeVito Whitesell	Joela (DeVito) & Thomas Whitesell
14	Eileen Maire Graves	Bernice (Coleman) & Thomas Graves
14	Ethan James Klausmeyer	Amy (Constant) & Philip Klausmeyer

OCTOBER

9	Daryl Justin Shippee	Angela (Tetreault) & Alan Shippee
10	Richard Gordon Lanoue	Cynthia (Hathaway) & Richard Lanoue
13	Kathryn Mae Delaney	Judy (Kelley) & Robert Delaney

NOVEMBER

1	Morgan James Kent	Mary Gravel & Dean Kent
14	Gavin Benjamin Scott	Deborah (Tatro) & Dwight Scott

DECEMBER

6	Lucas Edward Murphy	Catherine (Frey) & Thomas Murphy
22	Adam Lee Sears	April (Kellum) & Randall Sears
23	Casey Nicole Lanoue	Diane (Doneilo) & David Lanoue

MARRIAGES

Date	Names & Residences	Place of Marriage
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JANUARY

10	Stanley John Ambo, Jr., Gill Jocelyn H. Ginnever, Ashfield	Ashfield
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MARCH

21	Russell W. Nichols, Ashfield Allison E. Page, Ashfield	Ashfield
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APRIL

24	Mark A. Day, Ashfield Suzanne B. Kingsley, Ashfield	Haydenville
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MAY

2	Richard M. Evans, Ashfield Roberta A. St. Hill, Ashfield	Ashfield
2	Donald W. Glaister, Ashfield Suzanne Lois Moore, Ashfield	Ashfield
10	Norman F. Dufresne, Ashfield Mary Lou Bristol, W. Suffield, CT	Savoy
10	Richard L. Stevens, Ashfield Margot B. Dingwell, Dalton	Ashfield

JUNE

19	James M. Brown, Jr., Bunnell, FL Alexandra Haynes Shook, Ashfield	Ashfield
20	Alan R. Ball, Millers Falls Sandra L. Sears, Millers Falls	Ashfield
20	Paul P. Williams, Milford, CT Jacqueline R. Noland, Milford, CT	Conway

JULY

3	Andrea S. Rizzo, Ashfield Jean F. Grenon, Ashfield	Ashfield
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AUGUST

2	Richard S. Russell, Ashfield Marcy Sala, Ashfield	Ashfield
8	Richard M. Chandler, Ashfield Susan O. Krock, Ashfield	Ashfield
8	Randall E. Sears, Ashfield April L. Kellum, Ashfield	Ashfield

SEPTEMBER

12	Lyle Howard Gray, Ashfield Susan Angela Nowak, Ashfield	Ashfield
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OCTOBER

3	John James Whalen, Milford Mari Lou Ward, Milford	Conway
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DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
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FEBRUARY

10	James R. Dunn	Greenfield	77
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MAY

7	James Edwin Ready	Greenfield	88
13	Irene (Herrick) Dubuque	Ashfield	73
16	James P. Stow, III	Ashfield	72
30	Moses Leon Thibault	Ashfield	70

JUNE

25	Alice (Brauanlich) Dickinson	Deerfield	66
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JULY

3	Arthur L. Gardner	Springfield	75
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AUGUST

14	Ruth (Wiig) Pease	Greenfield	96
19	Ernest Vincent Wyatt	Northampton	92

SEPTEMBER

16	Glenn H. (Tallmadge) Schneider	Shelburne	81
30	Marjory E. Packard	Greenfield	88

OCTOBER

26	Ida (Lazar) Lapping	Ashfield	75
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NOVEMBER

15	Mary M. Wideman	Sunderland	61
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ANNUAL ELECTION

Election, May 2, 1987

Votes cast — 259

Reg. Voters — 951

FISH & GAME LICENSES ISSUED

51	Res. Fishing @ 12.50	\$ 637.50
4	Res. Fishing Minor @ 6.50	26.00
2	Res. Fishing 65-69 @ 6.25	12.50
2	Res. Paraplegic Fishing	Free
3	Non-Res. Fishing @ 17.50	52.50
1	Non-Res. 7-day Fishing @ 11.50	11.50
1	Res. Trapping @ 20.50	20.50
1	Res. Minor Trapping @ 8.50	8.50
1	Duplicate Fishing @ 2.00	2.00
19	Res. Hunting @ 12.50	237.50
2	Res. Hunting 65-69	12.50
1	Res. Paraplegic Hunting	Free
2	Non-Res. Hunting @ 48.50	97.00
40	Res. Sporting @ 19.50	780.00
5	Res. Sporting 65-69 @ 9.75	48.75
28	Res. Sporting Over 70	Free
4	Duplicate Sporting @ 2.00	8.00
19	Archery/Prim. Firearms Stamps @ 5.10	96.90
4	Mass. Waterfowl Stamps @ 1.25	5.00
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		\$2,056.65
Paid to Commonwealth		- 1,988.25
Fees Retained		<hr/>
		\$ 68.40

DOG LICENSES ISSUED**January 1, 1987 - December 31, 1987**

119	Males @ 3.00	\$ 357.00
13	Females @ 6.00	78.00
122	Spayed Females @ 3.00	366.00
6	Kennel (4 dogs) @ 10.00	60.00
1	Kennel (10 dogs) @ 25.00	25.00
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		\$ 886.00
Paid to Town Treasurer		- 690.25
Fees Retained		<hr/>
		\$ 195.75

Respectfully submitted,
ELEANOR M. WARD, Town Clerk

Ashfield Burial Ground Association Burials

Supplemental to Town Clerk's Report

JANUARY 1, 1987 - DECEMBER 31, 1987

	Date of Death	Age
Plain Cemetery		
Matthew A. Law	1/1/87	8
Mary (Craft) Law	1/1/87	33
Dorothy M. Bush	1/20/87	83
Harold A. Lesure	2/7/87	83
James E. Ready	5/7/87	88
Arthur L. Gardner	7/3/87	75
Ann E. Doneilo	8/25/87	77
Theodore M. Pease	11/8/86	94
Ruth Pease	8/14/87	96
Brier Hill Cemetery		
Ernest V. Wyatt	8/19/87	92
Spruce Corner Cemetery		
Richard G. Lanoue	10/24/87	14 days

**GEORGE F. BICKFORD
Burial Agent**

Treasurer's Report

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

Year Ending June 30, 1987

Balance of Cash at July 1, 1986	\$ 755,345.52
Cash Received	2,187,863.00
Cash Disbursements	<u>2,364,317.55</u>
Balance of Cash at June 30, 1987	\$ 578,890.97

Balance consists of:

Bank of Boston, Western Mass, N.A.:	
General Fund	\$ 806.90
Ambulance Fund	3,255.03
M.M.D.T.:	
General Fund	137,650.35
Highway Fund - Chapter 811	80,441.14
Energy Grant	521.24
Revenue Sharing	13,984.51
Heritage Savings Bank:	
Eliza Miller Acct.	9,788.95
Salmon Miller Acct.	19,290.58
Bay Bank:	
General Fund	6,020.45
Sewer Account	51,334.39
United Savings Bank:	
General Fund	91,559.17
Fred Cross - General Fund	63,232.52
Fred Cross - Library	5,000.00
Fred Cross - Cemetery	2,000.00
Trust Funds	80,098.20
Cemetery Funds	1,696.34
Shawmut Bank:	
Milo Belding, Jr. Endow. - Park/Lib.	<u>12,211.20</u>
	\$ 578,890.97

Presentation of Cash:

General Fund:	\$ 316,999.25
Ambulance Fund:	3,255.03
Sewer Fund:	13,984.51
Revenue Sharing:	51,334.39
Trust Funds:	<u>193,317.79</u>
Total	\$ 578,890.97

Report of the Fire Department

As this is my first report as Fire Chief in the town, I find it a challenging task learning all the rules and regulations of the Fire Department. I would like to thank Bob VanInderstine for working with me during the transition from his leadership to mine and for the continuing assistance I receive from him.

The department started an Auxiliary this year and we hope that the Auxiliary will grow with the department. I would like to thank all of the firefighters for standing behind me in the change of leadership. I hope that we can all work together as a team and build the department as the town grows.

The Ashfield Firemen's Association donated the following equipment to the Town of Ashfield this year costing \$1,949.90: Carbide saw chain, TV for dept. use, Insurance for Pee Wee & Little League, Litter bags, Gift for retiring Chief, Warning lights for Engine #1, Super saw, Tool box, Chimney chains and contribution towards a new CPR doll.

As times change, so must the Fire Department since we must grow as the town grows. The assessed valuation of property involved in fire calls during the year was \$510,740. Property losses totalled \$13,850; insurance covered \$12,905.

The daily log of calls is as follows:

1-05-87	10:13 a.m.	Conway	Mutual Aid
1-07-87	4:52 p.m.	Beldingville Rd.	Electric stove
1-14-87	6:33 p.m.	Hawley Rd.	Chimney fire
1-15-87	7:04 a.m.	Steady Lane	Chimney fire
1-16-87	3:25 p.m.	Bug Hill Rd.	Chimney fire
1-26-87	6:10 p.m.	Bronson Ave.	Chimney fire
2-08-87	12:55 a.m.	Norton Hill Rd.	Car accident
2-16-87	7:55 p.m.	Route 112	Chimney fire
2-25-87	9:05 p.m.	Steady Lane	Chimney fire
2-27-87	2:15 p.m.	Barnes Rd.	Water heater
3-02-87	5:05 p.m.	Bug Hill Rd.	Farm tractor fire
3-03-87	11:55 a.m.	Watson Spr. Cor.	Car fire
3-06-87	4:47 p.m.	Route 116	Electrical
3-08-87	9:43 p.m.	Jct. Rtes 112 & 116	Auto Accident
3-15-87	8:20 p.m.	Smith Rd.	Chimney fire
3-16-87	1:08 p.m.	Conway Rd.	Mutual Aid
4-04-87	5:00 p.m.	West Rd.	Rescue
4-04-87	8:00 p.m.	Tatro Lane	Electrical
4-04-87	9:40 p.m.	Route 116	Rescue
4-04-87	3:35 a.m.	Smith Rd.	Auto accident
4-05-87	7:50 p.m.	Baptist Cor.	Lighting-road crew
4-08-87	7:25 p.m.	Norton Hill	Brush fire
4-30-87	6:10 p.m.	Hill Rd.	Brush fire
6-01-87	10:18 a.m.	Main St.	Gas spill

6-15-87	9:03 p.m.	Plainfield Rd.	Auto accident
6-15-87	1:03 a.m.	Bronson Ave.	Broken water pipe
6-15-87	10:50 a.m.	Stroheker Rd.	Alarm ringing
6-17-87	3:08 p.m.	Stonewall Drive	Forest fire
7-05-87	10:10 a.m.	Main St.	Gas spill
7-24-87	11:30 a.m.	Baptist Cor.	Appliance fire
7-30-87	7:35 p.m.	Main St.	Gas spill
8-25-87	8:47 p.m.	Route 116	Auto accident
8-28-87	6:30 a.m.	Buckland	Mutual aid
9-02-87	9:50 a.m.	Stonewall Drive	Brush fire
9-05-87	1:38 p.m.	Main St.	Rescue
10-03-87	8:07 p.m.	Hawley	Mutual aid
10-04-87	7:15 a.m.	Baptist Corner	Wires down
10-04-87	10:40 a.m.	Bug Hill	Wires down
10-04-87	3:52 p.m.	Bug Hill	Wires down
10-10-87	8:46 a.m.	Main St.	Milk spill
10-19-87	11:35 a.m.	Plainfield Rd.	House fire
10-22-87	11:22 a.m.	Williamsburg Rd.	Fire invest.
10-30-87	1:00 a.m.	Route 116	Tires on fire
11-05-87	3:20 p.m.	Conway	Mutual aid
11-10-87	4:25 p.m.	Route 116	Auto accident
11-12-87	3:37 p.m.	Williamsburg Rd.	False alarm
11-30-87	11:10 p.m.	Creamery Rd.	Auto accident
12-01-87	11:25 p.m.	Beldingville Rd.	Auto fire
12-08-87	8:44 p.m.	Conway	Mutual aid
12-11-87	10:02 a.m.	Main St.	Fire alarm
12-12-87	11:13 p.m.	Route 112	Auto accident
12-24-87	6:30 p.m.	Beldingville Rd.	Structure fire
12-26-87	9:32 a.m.	Buckland Rd.	Chimney fire

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS FIELD
Fire Chief

Western Franklin Veterans Service Center

During the past fiscal year we were called upon to provide veterans' benefits and services to eighteen (18) Veterans and their families. The money was used to provide aid as follows:

Ordinary Benefits	\$25,027.61	Doctors	\$1,671.00
Nursing/Rest Homes	3,754.80	Hospitals	5,301.31
Medication	789.00	Dentists	55.00
Fuel	1,280.07	Miscellaneous	1,167.54
Total		\$39,046.33	

The towns which provided this aid will be reimbursed 75% by the State and are as follows:

Ashfield	\$ 735.19	Colrain	\$ 6,186.44
Buckland	13,607.30	Conway	4,943.24
Charlemont	1,107.50	Shelburne	12,466.66
Total		\$39,046.33	

Twenty-two (22) Veterans passed away during this year and the Service Center assisted the survivors with their VA claims for Burial Benefits, Grave Markers, Pensions and Compensation to which they are legally entitled.

Some of the many on-going services to Veterans are: preparation of Tax Abatement Forms for Veterans with service-connected disabilities, help to complete all Veterans Administration claim forms and provide assistance to all Veterans and their dependents in connection with their claims under Federal Programs.

Four meetings were held this year with various representatives of the ten town district to discuss the overall program.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE E. BALAZS
Director/Veterans' Agent

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

Balance July 1, 1986-Bank of Boston, Western MA	\$ 9.93
Balance July 1, 1986-Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	4,488.26

Receipts:	B.O.B.	M.M.D.T.	
Town of Ashfield	\$ 3,298.16		
Town of Buckland	2,972.41		
Town of Charlemont	2,239.50		
Town of Colrain	1,394.59	\$ 1,394.59	
Town of Conway	2,137.70		
Town of Hawley	407.18	407.65	
Town of Heath	671.85	671.85	
Town of Monroe	590.418		
Town of Plainfield	1,221.54		
Town of Shelburne	2,956.00		
Flags and Markers	1,543.20		
Interest from M.M.D.T.		509.15	
Federal Withholdings	2,640.00		
State Withholdings	1,615.48		
Retirement Withholdings	710.96		
Medicare Withholdings	87.00		
Trans. from M.M.D.T.	10,930.00		
Trans. from B.O.B.		8,000.00	
	<u>\$35,415.98</u>	<u>\$10,983.24</u>	<u>\$46,399.22</u>
			\$50,897.41

Payments:	
Edward P. Russell, Director (retired)	\$ 6,000.00
Eugene E. Balazs, Director (hired)	7,000.00
Jane E. Rice, Clerk (retired)	1,368.75
Edith S. Gerry, Treasurer	300.00
Town of Shelburne-Rent	1,800.00
Phone and Office Supplies	778.69
Director's Expense	272.05
Janitor	120.00
Flags and Markers	1,562.12
Retirement Assessment	2,709.00
Ads for Hiring New Director	69.90
Treasurer's Bond	50.00
Shelburne Falls Super Market	25.00
Internal Revenue— Federal Tax	2,640.00
Comm. of Mass-State Tax	1,615.48

County of Franklin—			
Retirement	710.96		
Internal Revenue—			
Medicare	188.50		
Transferred to M.M.D.T.	8,000.00		
Transferred to B.O.B.		<u>\$10,930.00</u>	
	<u>\$35,210.45</u>	<u>\$10,930.00</u>	<u>\$45,140.45</u>

Balance June 30, 1987-Bank of Boston, Western MA	215.46
Balance June 30, 1987-M.M.D.T. (Boston)	<u>4,541.50</u>
	<u>\$50,897.41</u>

EDITH S. GERRY, **Treasurer**

Annual Report of the Fred W. Wells Trustees

Funds available for the fiscal year 1987-1988 were \$122,790.00 which were allocated to three specific areas: Education, Health, and Agriculture.

Education — The Trustees received 222 applications for Education grants and approved 135 students to receive \$86,000. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to insure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid.

Health — Six Health programs were proposed and approved. Funds were paid to Mohawk Valley Medical Center, Visiting Nurse Association, Hospice Program to assist with an increased patient load for the terminally ill, Franklin County Mental Health Association for medical rehabilitation equipment and services for the elderly, and the YMCA and NELCWIT. These programs received a total of \$30,000.

Agriculture — Prices for Agricultural accomplishments were awarded through the Franklin County Fair and the Heath Fair. Awards this year were \$6,790.00.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER
Trustee

Report of the Board of Appeals

A petition for a variance from frontage requirements to create a non-conforming lot, pending at the beginning of the year, was withdrawn by the petitioner without prejudice.

A petition for a variance from side line requirements was granted with conditions. A petition for a use variance of an existing non-conforming lot with two dwellings was granted, with conditions, to allow the property to be divided so that each dwelling could be sold separately.

After many years of service, Ralph E. Townsley elected not to run for re-election as Chairman but will remain on the Board as Secretary. Mr. Townsley's many outstanding contributions to the Board have had a significant impact on its operations, as he has served with great distinction and admirable leadership. His many years of inspired service to the Board, and the Town, is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. McNIFF, *Chairman*

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY, *Secretary*

CLAYTON C. CRAFTS

WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, *Associate*

KENNETH A. LILLY, *Associate*

Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program

Annual Report Fiscal 1987

Fiscal Year 1987 was a tremendously busy year for the member towns of the F.C.C.B.I.P. The total number of permits issued by this office rose from 627 in F.Y. '86 to 803 in F.Y. '87. The four busiest towns were Conway, Bernardston, and Shutesbury. One-hundred and twenty-six dwelling units were constructed in those four towns, while the total number of dwelling units for the thirteen towns totaled 224.

During Fiscal Year '87 the F.C.C.B.I.P. temporarily served the town of Goshen, located in Hampshire County, until such time that the town was able to find its own building inspector. We were able to update the Building Department's files and reinspect the town's public buildings, as well as issuing permits for new projects.

Fiscal Year '87 also saw the town of Leyden join the program, becoming a full member as of Fiscal Year '88. We welcome the town and encourage the townspeople to contact our office if they have any questions.

Finally, I would like to thank Judith Bresciano who serves as the F.C.C.B.I.P. clerk, manning the telephone and the typewriter. She has done an excellent job serving the Cooperative for over eight years now and we all hope she stays with us for another eight. Her help and expertise has been invaluable during these busy years.

As always, I wish to thank the town officials, builders, and residents of the member towns of the F.C.C.B.I.P. for their help, cooperation, and patience during this past year. It was greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

STEVEN A. JUDGE
Building Commissioner

F.C.C.B.I.P.

FISCAL YEAR REPORT

FROM JULY 1, 1986 to JUNE 30, 1987

Town	Permits	Value	Dwelling Units	Permit Fees	Certif. of Occ.	Certif. of Inspec. Issued	C.I. Fees	Total Fees Col'd.
Ashfield	70	\$ 1,984,990	20	\$ 8,361	18	6	\$ 195.	\$ 8,556
Barnardston	94	2,789,460	30	12,269	23	11	260.	12,529
Buckland	75	1,677,592	17	7,185	5	3	80.	7,265
Charlemont	72	1,302,171	13	5,446	4	19	375.	5,821
Conway	74	3,249,880	36	13,674	10	8	220.	13,894
Erving	59	2,144,590	12	8,801	11	11	200.	9,001
Gill	61	1,032,800	12	4,380	10	33	1,372.	5,752
Goshen (5 mo.)	19	551,400	6	2,274°	3	3	40.°	°2,314
Hawley	25	421,390	4	1,772	2	4	45.	1,817
Heath	39	511,300	3	2,207	8	2	40.	2,247
Leverett	74	3,722,610	33	13,116	23	3	0.	13,116
Leyden (2 mo.)	4	212,520	3	°°876	00	0	0.	°°876
Monroe	3	41,280	1	182	2	0	0.	182
Shelburne	69	1,872,904	7	8,198	8	25	715.	8,913
Shutesbury	65	2,305,305	27	9,317	25	2	40.	9,357
TOTALS	802	\$23,820,193	224	\$98,058	152	130	\$3,582.	\$101,640
				10% Service Charge from Goshen:				231.40
				TOTAL:				\$101,871.40

* These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I. but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

** 2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

° Fees plus 10% go into Free Cash

°° Fees went into Free Cash until 7/1/87

Franklin County Cooperative Wire Inspector Program

FISCAL YEAR REPORT July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987

Town	1986	1987		Total Permits	Total Fees '86/'87
	July 1 Dec. 31 \$	July 1 June 30 \$	June 30 June 30 \$		
Ashfield	910.00	30	730.00	21	1,640.00
Barnardston	1,035.00	31	825.00	24	1,860.00
Buckland	437.00	17	882.00	30	1,319.00
Charlemont	698.00	30	630.00	21	1,328.00
Conway	742.00	25	1,120.00	31	1,862.00
Leverett	995.00	32	985.00	30	1,980.00
Northfield	484.00	28	2,046.00	36	2,530.00
Shelburne	614.00	25	1,113.12	31	1,727.12
Warwick			405.00	10	405.00
Wendell		4	290.00	10	290.00
Whatley			3,463.00	19	3,463.00
Monroe	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 5,915.00	222	\$12,489.00	485	\$18,404.12

This report does not reflect the number of inspections made for each permit.

REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1987

Town	1987	1/1-6/30 Permits	1987	7/-12/31 Permits	1987	1987 Total Fees
	Jan. 1 June 30 \$		July 1 Dec. 31 \$		Total Permits	
Ashfield	730.00	21	1,020.75	25	46	\$ 1,750.75
Barnardston	825.00	24	1,150.00	26	50	1,975.00
Buckland	882.00	30	1,023.00	27	57	1,905.00
Charlemont	630.00	21	1,600.00	38	59	2,230.00
Conway	1,120.00	31	1,605.00	41	72	2,725.00
Erving	0.00	0	1,347.50	25	25	1,347.50
Heath*	0.00	0	220.00	6	6	220.00
Leverett	985.00	30	930.00	26	56	1,915.00
Monroe	0.00	0				
Northfield	2,046.00	36	2,354.00	49	85	4,400.00
Shelburne	1,113.12	31	738.00	24	55	1,851.12
Warwick	405.00	10	0.00	0	10	405.00
Wendell	290.00	10	1,158.00	28	38	1,448.00
Whately	3,463.00	19	1,185.00	26	45	4,648.00
Total	\$12,489.12	263	\$14,331.25	341	604	\$26,820.37

*Fee-for-Service Basis

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA
Wiring Inspector

Franklin County Cooperative Plumbing & Gas Inspector Program

FISCAL YEAR REPORT July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987

Town	1986	1986		1987		Total Permits	Total Fees '86/'87
	July 1 Dec. 31	Total Permits	Jan. 1 June 30	Total Permits			
Ashfield	\$ 530.00	16	\$ 752.00	27	43	\$ 1,282.00	
Barnardston	1,034.00	34	851.00	23	57	1,885.00	
Buckland	324.00	8	847.00	24	32	1,171.00	
Charlemont	417.00	12	445.00	14	26	862.00	
Conway	482.00	12	1,292.00	32	44	1,774.00	
Erving	0	0	175.00	6	6	175.00	
Leverett	925.00	22	1,036.00	24	46	1,961.00	
Leyden	0.00	0	131.00	3	3	131.00	
Monroe	0.00	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	
Shelburne	365.00	14	612.00	22	36	977.00	
Warwick	0.00	0	230.00	5	5	230.00	
Wendell	97.00	4	390.00	10	14	487.00	
Whately	0.00	0	984.00	19	19	984.00	
Deerfield	0.00	0	135.00	5	5	135.00	
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 4,174.00	122	\$ 7,880.00	241	336	\$12,054.00	

This report does not reflect the number of inspections made for each permit.

REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1987

	1987	1987	1987	1987	1987	1987
TOWN	Jan. 1	1/1-6/30	July 1	7/1-12/31	Total	Total
Ashfield	June 30	Permits	Dec. 31	Permits	Permits	Fees
Barnardston	\$ 752	27	\$ 986	30	57	\$ 1,738
Buckland	851	23	740	23	46	1,591
Charlemont	847	24	1,035	31	55	1,882
Conway	445	14	990	32	46	1,435
Erving	1,292	32	1,260	31	63	2,552
Hawley*	175	6	610	14	20	785
Heath*	0	0	80	2	2	80
Leverett	0	0	325	7	7	325
Leyden	1,036	24	1,135	28	52	2,171
Shelburne	131	3	315	10	13	446
Warwick	612	22	730	25	47	1,342
Wendell	230	5	0	0	5	230
Whately	390	10	340	7	17	730
Deerfield	984	19	2,976	164	183	3,960
Total	135	5	0	0	5	135
	<u>\$7,880</u>	<u>214</u>	<u>\$11,522</u>	<u>404</u>	<u>618</u>	<u>\$19,402</u>

*Fee-for-Service Basis

PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

Fees Collected 1986/1987 - Wiring Inspector Program

Community	July	August	September	October	November	December
Ashfield	\$100.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 210.00	\$140.00	\$ 155.00
Bernardston	155.00	205.00	235.00	185.00	20.00	235.00
Buckland		102.00	125.00	155.00	35.00	20.00
Charlemont	107.00	146.00	25.00	200.00	65.00	155.00
Conway		70.00	265.00	185.00	127.00	95.00
Leverett	105.00	195.00	110.00	235.00	80.00	270.00
Shelburne	40.00	140.00	78.00	260.00	31.00	65.00
Northfield				399.00	40.00	45.00
Warwick						
Wendell						
Erving						
Whately						
Monroe						
Totals	<u>\$507.00</u>	<u>\$938.00</u>	<u>\$1,063.00</u>	<u>\$1,829.00</u>	<u>\$538.00</u>	<u>\$1,040.00</u>

Fees Collected 1986/1987 Plumbing/Gas Inspection Program

Community	July	August	September	October	November	December
Ashfield		\$186.00	\$ 36.00	\$152.00	\$ 84.00	\$ 72.00
Bernardston		290.00	196.00	76.00	216.00	256.00
Buckland		40.00	88.00	124.00	22.00	50.00
Charlemont		27.00	0.00	132.00	228.00	30.00
Conway		76.00	72.00	94.00	22.00	218.00
Leverett		84.00	204.00	198.00	294.00	145.00
Shelburne		94.00	0.00	128.00	24.00	119.00
Warwick						
Wendell				64.00	33.00	0.00
Erving						
Whately						
Monroe						
Leyden						
Deerfield						
Totals	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$797.00</u>	<u>\$ 596.00</u>	<u>\$ 968.00</u>	<u>\$923.00</u>	<u>\$ 890.00</u>

AMENDED REPORT

January	February	March	April	May	June	Totals
\$ 145.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 1,640.00
150.00	55.00	80.00	305.00	95.00	140.00	1,860.00
125.00	90.00	135.00	132.00	275.00	125.00	1,319.00
85.00	55.00	55.00	100.00	75.00	260.00	1,328.00
70.00	95.00	80.00	205.00	230.00	440.00	1,862.00
60.00	80.00	80.00	185.00	260.00	320.00	1,980.00
297.00	65.00	56.00	10.00	440.12	245.00	1,727.12
75.00	119.00	100.00	595.00	160.00	997.00	2,530.00
	35.00	130.00	65.00	175.00		405.00
	25.00	90.00	65.00	35.00	75.00	290.00
						0.00
		100.00	2,825.00	160.00	378.00	3,463.00
						0.00
<u>\$1,007.00</u>	<u>\$689.00</u>	<u>\$926.00</u>	<u>\$4,502.00</u>	<u>\$2,160.12</u>	<u>\$3,205.00</u>	<u>\$18,404.12</u>

January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
\$ 108.00	\$ 80.00	\$131.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 1,282.00
24.00	140.00	122.00	170.00	130.00	265.00	1,885.00
98.00	42.00	201.00	199.00	227.00	80.00	1,171.00
92.00	22.00	181.00	0.00	125.00	25.00	862.00
254.00	194.00	104.00	115.00	230.00	395.00	1,774.00
60.00	142.00	72.00	237.00	120.00	405.00	1,961.00
22.00	134.00	236.00	121.00	84.00	15.00	977.00
		110.00	20.00	85.00	15.00	230.00
0.00	10.00	45.00	105.00	40.00	190.00	487.00
		20.00		30.00	125.00	175.00
		535.00	50.00	110.00	289.00	984.00
						0.00
			40.00	91.00		131.00
			135.00			135.00
<u>\$ 658.00</u>	<u>\$764.00</u>	<u>\$1,757.00</u>	<u>\$1,255.00</u>	<u>\$1,332.00</u>	<u>\$2,114.00</u>	<u>\$12,054.00</u>

Board of Assessors

This coming year, Fiscal 89, is the year of recertification when all properties will be adjusted to approximately 100%. In some cases valuation of properties will increase dramatically, perhaps even double. Yet this need not mean that tax bills will increase dramatically; since the more the valuations rise, the lower the resulting tax rate.

Patriot Properties, Inc. of Salem, MA has been contracted to perform the valuation process. With input from the local board we hope to accurately determine the market value of all properties in Ashfield.

Before the final values are presented to the State Department of Revenue for their confirmation, there will be an opportunity for the taxpayers to discuss their assessments with the board and members of the revaluation firm.

The tax base for Ashfield increased \$2,320,230 over Fiscal 87. This is the result of land divisions and new construction. The Fiscal 87 tax rate was raised thirty-three cents to \$15.28.

When new valuations are put in place for Fiscal 89, we well may wonder, "Where does this all end?"

We wish to thank all of you who have cooperated with the lister in measuring and viewing your properties.

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chairman
ELISABETH C. NYE
RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Police Department Report

The Ashfield Police Department saw the busiest and most expensive year in its existence as a police department. In January, on Bug Hill Rd. the police cruiser received some body damage. Fortunately, there was no personal injury and the cruiser was able to be used until repairs were complete. The snowfall during early 1987 mounted up, and soon many roads had poor visibility, accounting for several motor vehicle accidents. After the weather began to break, and the snow started to melt, Ashfield received 7 inches of rain, and we had our "50 year flood" with unbelievable damage. Most of our duties kept us going around the clock for several days. There was no substantial damage to personal property or loss of lives. However, public and town property and roads were devastated. The police department wants to thank all the departments and the town residents for their cooperation and understanding through a dangerous and difficult time in Ashfield's history.

In early spring, the police department applied for, and received, a state grant for extra patrols under the Governor's D.W.I. Program. This provided extra money for payroll expenses, and according to statistics, our serious accidents and motor vehicle problems were much lower during this time. We wish to thank the Town of Ashfield and its residents for their consideration and patience throughout this grant period.

The police department was involved in one of the largest road improvement projects ever on Rt. 116. This project started on April 14, 1987 and is still not fully completed as of early 1988. Our department was responsible for providing police protection and the keeping of payroll records. We want to thank Town Clerk Eleanor Ward and Town Treasurer Janet Swem for their bookkeeping.

The Ashfield Police Association had a stuffed hot potato booth at the Fall Festival this year. This was the first money making activity we have had since we discontinued the roast beef dinners. Hopefully, this project will be a yearly operation during the festival.

The later part of 1987 brought about some changes in the police department. Police Chief Warren Kirkpatrick stepped down from office, and Roger Hmieski was appointed acting chief. A new officer, Ronald Anderson of Watson Rd., was appointed Special Police Officer after completing the required studies with the Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council.

Our department was very fortunate to be able to keep the department dispatching here in town. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Nick and Pat Phelps and their staff at Pioneer Ambulance Service on Smith Rd. who are on call whenever needed, day or night, to supplement the phone and radio coverage that our officers supply.

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR 1987

Money turned into the town from the police department:

F.I.D. Cards, Pistol Permits and insurance reports	\$ 407.00
Traffic Citations	<u>4,710.00</u>
Total	\$5,117.00

Mileage	18,900
Calls	5,244
Investigations	955
Accidents	59
Summons	50
Warrants	4
Larcenies	12
Breaks	8
Vandalism	21
Alarms	12
Arrests	9
Disturbances	27
Protective Custody	2
Court Hours	20
Medical Assists	14
Fire Assists	9
F.I.D. Cards	16
Pistol Permits	32
Traffic Citations	141

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER H. HMIELESKI,
Acting Police Chief

Ambulance Service Report

It has been a good year for the Ambulance Service. We have purchased a new ambulance for the use of the townspeople. Donations of \$26,244 and \$14,000 appropriated by the town covered the cost of the new 4 x 4 ambulance which was put into service on November 12, 1987. With \$2,500 left in the New Ambulance Fund, the selectmen gave permission to transfer it to the maintenance account so that we can continue to stay off the town budget.

The ambulance has had 80 emergency runs in 1987 and no routine transfers. The ambulance and fire departments had an all-day seminar for hazardous waste and chemical spills that was given by the Mass. State Police in October, 1987.

We would like to thank all of our volunteers, EMTs, dispatchers and auxiliary personnel for their continued dedication to the welfare of the Ashfield townspeople.

DOUGLAS & DIANNE FIELD
Co-Directors
Ashfield Ambulance Service

Belding Memorial Librarian's Report

The Belding Memorial Library had an exciting year in 1987 with many more events taking place. A grant was given to us by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners for a video circuit. The circuit will involve seven libraries: Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Heath, Rowe, Shelburne & Shelburne Falls. Noah Gordon, Chairman of the Ashfield Library Trustees, and Pat Leuchtman, Trustee of the Heath Library Board, worked on the grant that includes not only videos but a TV, VCR recorder/player, a VCR portable player, eight head sets and a TV table for each of the seven libraries. The video program is known as the Hilltown Video Circuit. The videos will be divided up between the seven libraries and rotated on a scheduled basis. Our thanks go to Noah and Pat for all the work they put in to make it possible.

The Friends of the Library became very active in 1987 with an annual meeting program in September featuring Eric Carle, children's writer and illustrator. In the course of his program he did an illustration which the "Friends" had framed and is now hanging in the children's room. The "Friends" also held a raffle at the Ashfield Fall Festival and donated the proceeds toward a copier for the library. Our sincere thanks for their efforts. We had an exceptionally good book sale during the festival and that money will also go toward the copier.

The Ashfield Girl Scouts and Brownies donated money for books for the library as part of their community project. A set of art books was given by the Arts Council. Mrs. Elinor Clarke gave money for eleven of John McPhee's books that we did not have. Mrs. Carrolle Markle added to her on-going memorial funds...one encompassing nature and photography in memory of her husband, Millard, and the other for her father, Herman Anderson, which takes in the sciences and arts. The latter fund was originally established by Charles Claire.

Two board members resigned during the year. Walt Whitney, Jr. chairman of the board, resigned after 37 years of being involved with the board. Carol Pepyne also resigned in 1987. She served 7 years, 7½ of those years as secretary/treasurer and treasurer.

New faces on the board are Richard Evans, who is now serving as treasurer and Micheline Dufau as a board member. Nadine Smith was hired as a new library aide to fill the position vacated by Mary Fitz-Gibbon.

Our circulation for the year was 12,133 and 340 books were added to our collection. Adult books purchased—148, gifts—112; juvenile books purchased—50, gifts—25. There were 73 new persons who signed up for library cards.

We thank all those for giving us the opportunity to have a library with a well rounded collection by establishing and funding memorial gifts, donations of books, materials and money.

I wish to thank the trustees for their encouragement and support, Anne Judson & Nadine Smith for all their help and support, David Diluzio who keeps the library in great shape, my husband for his patience and help at a moment's notice and the wonderful patrons who make the library what it is.

Respectfully,

BARBARA V. ZALENSKI, Librarian

Belding Memorial Library Report of Cash Receipts and Expenditures For the Year Ended June 30, 1987

Cash Balance, June 30, 1986	\$17,853.34
Less: Trust Fund Principal*	<u>9,437.65</u>
Net Cash Balance, June 30, 1986	\$ 8,415.69

Income

Cash Receipts:

Town of Ashfield	\$ 5,000.00
State Aid	2,223.33
Grants	375.00
Contributions	95.00
Other	118.60

Trust Income:

Belding Memorial Trust	4,450.13
Belding Memorial Surplus	422.95
Belding Endowment	575.76
Fred Cross Fund	381.26
Sara Norton Fund	85.60
Alonzo Lilly Fund	375.93
Hope Packard Fund	90.38
Markle Funds	57.21

Interest Income:

Heritage - NIS 1110249	130.09	
United Savings Bank 12831	<u>405.36</u>	
Total Income	\$14,786.60	\$23,202.29

EXPENDITURES

Salaries and Services	\$ 6,625.73
Books and materials	2,666.31

Utilities	1,672.80
Repairs and Improvements	101.50
Office Supplies	178.07
Miscellaneous	102.75
Reserve/Trust Funds Int. Acct.	504.99
Total Expenditures	11,852.15

Balance June 30, 1987 \$11,350.14

Operating Funds	\$ -137.47
Reserve Funds:	
H-NIS 1105-0005191	1,705.92
H-NIS 1110249	2,203.39
USB 12831	7,578.30
Total	\$11,350.14

TRUST FUNDS

Belding Memorial Trust	Securities portfolio
Belding Memorial Surplus	Managed by Shawmut Bank
Belding Endowment	Managed by Shawmut Bank
Fred Cross Fund	Principal held by Town
Alonzo Lilly Fund*	5,646.33 H-NIS 5190
Sara Norton Fund*	1,090.67 H-NIS 6456
Hope Packard Fund*	1,632.18 USB 01006
Markle Funds	1,068.47 USB 6703

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD M. EVANS
Treasurer

*In accordance with the terms of the original gifts, principal on these funds cannot be used for general operating funds. Interest on these accounts is available for general library use or purchase and repair of books and materials.

Report of the Belding Memorial Library Board of Trustees

For some time we have known that the library building is badly in need of repair. This year, because of federal and state grant programs, there is a rare opportunity to repair the Belding building and construct an addition to the library, at no greater cost to the town than simply making the repairs.

Faced with the necessity of vital repairs to the library's roof, stonework, concrete, plaster, etc., totaling approximately \$30,000, the board has applied for a federal grant and is in the process of applying for a state grant. These grants, administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, will underwrite the cost of repairing the building and will pay for a one-story, 30' x 38' addition. The multipurpose room will supply needed shelves for books, complete access for handicapped persons, and a meeting place for Ashfield organizations, committees and boards. We cannot get the grants without constructing the addition. The town's share of the projected \$230,000 cost will come to 13 percent—the \$30,000 that we would have to pay to save the original building if we didn't apply for the grants.

We ask your support for this crucial article in the town warrant.

The library board is seeking to take advantage of every opportunity to win grants that will improve our services and allow us to work toward excellence. We are planning a series of grant-supported library programs for children and adults. Through a grant bestowed by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, video equipment has been acquired by our library, and a varied collection of videocassettes is available free of charge to library patrons.

In 1987, Friends of the Belding Memorial Library was organized. The group elected Sandra Carter as president. Other officers are Mary Priscilla Howes, vice president; Lucy Sagalyn, secretary; and Nadine Smith, treasurer. Serving on the board of directors of Friends of the Library are Jane Buckloh, Louis Battalen, Noah Gordon, Mary Lucas, and Barbara Zalenski.

The Friends sponsored a popular program by children's author Eric Carle; ran the Festival Jackpot at the Ashfield Fall Festival, which allowed them to donate \$350 to the library's photocopier fund; helped staff the library's Fall Festival book sale; provided lollipops for young library patrons at Halloween, and are planning a schedule of programs that will enrich the cultural life of the library and the community. The library board would like to thank the Friends for their excellent work. Their existence makes all the difference to us.

This has been a year of transition for the library board. In September, Carol J. Pepyne resigned and was replaced by Micheline Dufau. In January, 1988, Ann N. Lilly resigned and was replaced by Diana Bennett. This May, Clayton C. Craft finishes his term and his tenure as a library trustee. The board thanks Carol, Ann, and Clayton for their service, and we look forward to an exciting and pivotal period in the library's history.

NOAH GORDON, Chairman

DIANA BENNETT

CLAYTON C. CRAFT

MICHELINE DUFAU, Secretary & Clerk

RICHARD M. EVANS, Treasurer

ANN N. LILLY

CAROL J. PEPEYNE

Ashfield Council on Aging

During the year, the Ashfield Council on Aging held nine open meetings. Each meeting began with an informational session during which services of various agencies or activities of the Shelburne Senior Center were reviewed. A recreational time such as a movie, games, cards and conversation followed.

The council works with the Shelburne Senior Center to provide services including home delivered meals, congregate meals, transportation, visits by the outreach worker and referrals. The Brown Bag Program delivered a grocery bag of groceries to income eligible elders. Elders who were unable to pick up their bags had their bags delivered by a volunteer.

Transportation to Shelburne Falls and to Greenfield has been provided by the Franklin Regional Transit Authority and the Shelburne Senior Center van. Trips have been to the Senior Center, to doctors' appointments, for shopping and for general business purposes.

The outreach worker visited elders in their homes to explain services or to arrange for private homemaker services. The worker also provided assistance to families who reside outside of the area but are trying to care for Ashfield elders.

Sylvia Monk represented the council on the Franklin County Home Care Corporation Board of Directors.

Services Offered	Number of Different Elders	Times Used
Referrals to other agencies	27	33
General information	47	160
Blood pressure	8	45
Congregate meals	8	813
Home delivered meals	4	416
Community education	48	220
Individual advocacy	3	7
Transportation	13	1,420
Recreational activities	45	2,108
Outreach service	66	205

Other small services are offered through the Shelburne Senior Center. In all for the year, 98 elders received 10,807 units of service.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA MONK
Chairman

Visiting Nurse and Health Services

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The Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, a program of Franklin Medical Center, has continued to provide a comprehensive array of health services to patients recovering from acute episodes of illness at home this year. Services are provided by qualified professionals including registered nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists. Personal care services by trained home health aides are also provided as an adjunct to skilled care.

In 1987 the following services were rendered to 24 patients:

Skilled Nursing visits	84
Physical/Occupational & Speech Therapy Visits	31
HHA Visits	140
HHA Hours	275.75

The agency has a large component of homemakers whose services are available to help the frail elderly to remain independent at home by assisting with light housekeeping, personal care, shopping, and errands. Referrals for any of the above services are accepted from physicians, hospitals, patients, and/or families. Call 774-2302 for services.

In addition, the agency provides for the Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC) for all of Franklin County from our office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield. Call 774-2302 to enroll.

Report of the Dog Officer

Ashfield's dog business seemed to have been a lot busier than last year, according to the reports. There are almost 3 times as many dogs over last year that went through our kennel. Most people made a real effort to control their pets, but a certain few did not. Ashfield still has a year-round restraining order and if we continue to work together, our dog problems can be kept under control.

Every dog over 3 months of age has to be licensed by April 1st each year. These licenses and tags can be purchased from our Town Clerk in the Town Hall during normal business hours. If a pet is lost, picked up or injured, we can easily identify the pet by the tag number in order to rapidly notify the owner.

There seems to be a certain few dogs in Ashfield that never are restrained. In May, at the Annual Meeting, an amendment to the town by-laws was voted in. This is the schedule of fines that will be charged by the Dog Officer.

First offense within a calendar year	\$ 5.00
Second offense within a calendar year	\$15.00
Third offense within a calendar year	\$30.00
Fourth and subsequent offense within calendar year	\$50.00

These fines as listed shall be in addition to any boarding fees charged under C140 of the Mass. General Laws.

At this time, I would like to thank Dr. Thomas G. Cranston of Bellus Rd., our veterinarian, for his continued cooperation and kindness in helping me on several occasions with injured animals and also for his medical advice.

I would like to remind town residents, that in my absence, all Ashfield Police Officers are assistant dog officers and would be available for an emergency situation. There was a unique experience at the dog kennel this year when the dog kennel was turned into a nursery for the first time. In early September a pregnant female shepard, which had obviously been abandoned, was picked up. Two days later a litter of 10 puppies was born. Mother and puppies did fine and a close watch was kept by myself and a number of concerned residents. Food was donated and homes were sought for the new pups when they were ready to leave mother. As luck would have it, all the pups went to new homes and so did "Mama."

All loose dogs picked up by the Dog Officer or Police Officer will be kept at my residence on Cape St. (Rte.112) in Ashfield. Found or lost dog notices will be posted at Elmer's Store, the Short Stop and the Post Office. Anyone with any dog-related questions or information can contact me at 628-3811.

Dog Statistics

Phone Calls	1279	Kennel Exp.	\$ 85.92
Dogs confined	61	Fines collected	\$386.00
Mileage	3197	Dogs destroyed	0
Labor	784		

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Dog Officer

Ashfield Energy Resources Commission Report

The Commission held several meetings during 1987 to implement and work on several projects and discuss future directions. New member Curtis Pichette was appointed to the Commission to fill a vacancy left by the resignation of Ethel Kipen.

This year the commission continued to focus the majority of its time on solid waste issues. Collecting recyclables has rarely been a problem in Ashfield; townspeople have been very cooperative. Disposing of these goods has created new problems, particularly finding viable markets to purchase these recyclables. Several studies and committees were conducted locally and regionally to address the varied problems of solid waste. The disposal of non-recyclables is becoming a major financial drain on the town and needs serious attention.

Hazardous waste laws designed to protect the environment have made transportation of waste oil a risky business and an overflowing tank at the dump. The town must now pay 50 cents per gallon to dispose of waste oil and recently the tank was emptied. Waste oil collection has been temporarily halted until a new facility and economically feasible disposal program can be developed.

The commission continues to monitor energy consumption in all town buildings to keep track of how previously implemented conservation measures have saved the town money.

The commission has publicized and can answer questions on the HEAT program, a low interest, energy conservation loan program available for homeowners.

1987 marked the 10th anniversary of this organization as noted in the Ashfield News by a reprint of Reger Harris' article reporting on the first meeting and this commission's goals. The proudest achievement of this commission has been the reduction of Sanderson Academy's oil consumption by 60% through the efforts of numerous town organizations and projects.

Electric rates continue to rise astronomically which affects Mohawk Regional and this town's share of its expenses dramatically. State funding is currently available and this commission hopes to convince the Regional school committee that changes must be made now in how Mohawk is heated.

PHILIP PLESS, Chairman
DAVID KNOWLES, Clerk
DOUGLAS CRANSON
ELLIOT MARSH
CURTIS PICHETTE

Ashfield Historical Commission

Established in 1984 as a Town appointed board, the local Historical Commission is affiliated with the Massachusetts Historical Commission and is responsible for identifying and recording the historical assets of the Ashfield community in order to help implement a program for their continual preservation.

In the spring semester, five students of Professor John Martin's landscape design course at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, spent five weeks studying the town of Ashfield. The study resulted in a carefully drawn map of the proposed historic district (The Plain), photographs of that area, and a set of long-range proposals and suggestions for the future of the town center. The students' enthusiasm regarding the present appearance of Ashfield and its future prospects was stimulating and rewarding to all the members of the Commission.

In May we were pleased to receive notice that the nomination of the Ashfield Town Hall Steeple Restoration Project Committee resulted in a top award from the State Commission. Representatives from the Steeple Committee and from the AHC attended the awards meeting in Boston. The entire town of Ashfield and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can take pride in the award given to recognize the drive and the determination of the Steeple Committee with its dedication to preserve the architectural past of our town; that determination was further enriched by the cooperation of local townspeople and craftsmen to solve a local problem locally.

The inventorying and photography of the historic buildings and sites of the village center are nearly completed, and the seemingly endless forms required to designate Ashfield a National Historic District should be in the Boston office by town meeting day. Arrangements have been made to complete photographing the historic buildings in the other districts of Ashfield; completion is anticipated within 1988.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANNE BROCHU, Chair
RUTH CRAFT
SUSAN McGOWAN
TOM ULRICH
ANN YURYAN

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Last fall, the Mohawk Trail Regional School Districts entered into a collaborative long range planning process to address educational and facilities needs in nine-town schools. Rapidly growing enrollments and new educational programs have created an urgent need for additional classroom space. Local Planning Committees comprised of parents, teachers, school committee members, town officials and administrators have been working to address these needs. These committees have two major tasks: To recommend solutions for meeting short term space needs (FY-89-FY92) and to develop long range educational specifications.

Local Planning Committees are presently working to develop low cost, temporary solutions to meet needs between next September and September, 1992. Conservative enrollment projections indicate that additional space is needed in all buildings:

- Colrain Central School - 2-3 classrooms
- Buckland-Shelburne Regional School - 4-5 classrooms
- Hawlemont Regional School - 4-5 classrooms
- Rowe Elementary School - 1-2 classrooms
- Sanderson Academy - 1-2 classrooms
- Mohawk Trail Regional School - learning stations

These additional classrooms may be accessed through restructuring existing use of space, renovating buildings, or leasing, buying, or building temporary facilities at local expense.

By 1992, major building additions and renovations will be needed at both the elementary and secondary levels. Long range plans will address several basic questions: How many students will live in the nine-towns? What educational programs should be offered? What additional facilities will be needed? Where should these buildings be located? Would a separate Middle School help alleviate space problems at both the elementary and the secondary levels? These questions are being addressed by a variety of local and regional committees. A comprehensive plan is expected to be ready for presentation at Town Meetings in May, 1989.

Three sources of revenue are being explored: 1) Capital construction funding through the School Building Assistance Bureau (SBAB), 2) Increased state aid through regionalization, and 3) Planning Grants. In January, 1988 we were awarded an Incentive Aid Grant through the Executive Office of Communities and Development to help us develop ten year enrollment projections, conduct a community survey, and provide legal assistance around organizational issues. Additional funding is expected from the SBAB in July.

This year, another serious concern for all school committees has been the development of the 1988-1989 school budget. There are several factors which have contributed to the problem as follows:

1. There hasn't been any significant state aid to regional school districts in several years. Any additional funds have been sent directly to local communities.
2. School districts no longer have the excess and deficiency funds to level assessments that have been available in the past.
3. There have been increases in student enrollment in some of the schools.
4. There has been a steady increase in special education expenditures.

In the past several years, assessment increases for most of the regional school budgets have averaged somewhere between 2/12% and 4%. This year requests for increases in assessments will be much larger. In an effort to work cooperatively with our local communities, the Mohawk Municipal Advisory Committee has been formed to discuss and review the financial problems that are being encountered by local governments and school districts. As of this report, there have been two meetings which were attended by representatives of the four regional school districts and a number of town officials. Both meetings addressed the issue of appropriate levels of school spending for Fiscal Year 1989, in light of projected shortfalls and a lack of revenue from the Commonwealth for both towns and regional school districts. At these meetings, the Mohawk Municipal Advisory Committee recommended that towns and school districts attempt to create a balanced sharing of limited financial resources for the next year. This would ideally mean that both towns and school governments would be allowed relatively equal shares of increase of net expenses. This also presupposes that if some reductions in expenditures were necessary, that both town and school governments would share in these reductions in the same proportions. This "sharing" concept could be used as a guide for school committees and town officials in the development of the Fiscal Year 1989 budgets. It's important that school and town officials continue to work on the budget problems in a spirit of cooperation and at the same time, begin to address the mutual problem of insufficient state aid for both schools and towns.

This year there have been a number of changes in administrative positions in the various school districts as follows:

Dr. Gwen Van Dorp - Director of Planning
Mrya Snyder - Principal, Buckland-Shelburne Regional School
Gail Healy - Principal, Hawlemont Regional School
Brian Abdallah - Associate Principal, Mohawk Trail Regional High School

Mrs. Martha Conant will be resigning as principal of Sanderson Academy to assume a teaching position in the district. Kevin Courtney, Assistant to the Superintendent, has left the district to become Superintendent of the Pioneer Regional School District. Russell Vernon-Jones resigned from his position as principal of Buckland-Shelburne Regional School to become the principal of the Pelham Elementary School. Mr. Walter Sugalski and Ms. Janice Weeks will be retiring from their teaching positions at Mohawk Trail Regional High School after many years of dedicated service. These administrators and teachers have done an excellent job for their respective school districts.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE E. WILLARD
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Sanderson Academy School Principal

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Sanderson Academy for the school year 1986-87.

Ashfield students who graduated in June 1987 are:

Jessie Bennett	Catherine Nylen
Autumn Cohen	Brian Page
Courtney Gambino	Katherine Phelps
Trevor Gancarz	Daniel Sadowski
Pamela Hurley	Todd Senecal
Mary Johnson	Elinor Todd
Tara Lenahan	Leah Wiedmann
Rebecca McCulloch	Seth Wynne

Total enrollment December 1, 1987 equals 200 students.

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	14	13	27
1	20	13	33
2	12	18	30
3	20	14	34
4	14	16	30
5	13	13	26
6	6	14	20
	<hr/> 99	<hr/> 101	<hr/> 200

The faculty this year consists of eleven regular classroom teachers and one special needs teacher. There are 3 part time teachers for art, music and gym. We also share the services of a school psychologist.

Increased funding of the Essential Skills/Chapter I grant monies allows us to have 1 full time and 1 part time teacher to work with students who have supplementary needs in Math and Writing.

Sandra Carter returned as Vocal and Instrumental Music teacher after a year's leave of absence. Mary Beth Kennedy 2nd grade teacher, resigned and Sara Renner was hired to replace her. Laurel Dickey was hired as a fourth grade teacher. Nancy Rillings returned to grade one after a year's leave of absence as a Lucretia Crocker fellow.

Two members of the faculty, Poppy Doyle and Katherine First are this year's recipient of the Horace Mann grant. This grant will enable them to work on Science kits and new Science curriculum. Valerie Abramson was last year's recipient of the grant for Math Their Way.

Members of the faculty are included on the Long and Short Range Planning Committees as well as the Evaluation Committee. They also

serve on the advisory boards of the Early Childhood, Gifted and Talented and School Improvement Councils.

Language Arts Curriculum is the focus of study this year by the faculty and it will be updated and rewritten.

Sanderson was the recipient of two grants from the state. They are an Early Childhood Study grant and a Gifted and Talented grant. Nancy Wilson, Coordinator of the Gifted and Talented grant has worked with students and teachers directly on the building of Thinking Skills as the focus for this year. The Early Childhood grant allows the Ashfield Preschool and Sanderson to look at the community in the areas of preschool needs as well as child care needs with the hope of writing an implementation grant that will address all or part of the needs.

Sanderson is again participating in two Cultural Resources grants, One being with Mohawk Trail Concerts for the study of the first three decades of the 20th Century. The other is in conjunction with the Arts Council of Franklin County. This grant is for grades 3 and 4. This fall they have studied the Art of Puppetry and in the spring they will study printmaking.

Two Commonwealth Inservice Grants were written and funded this past year. The first was a Math Resources Project. This enabled our faculty to work with the Math Lab at G.C.C. Members of the Lab came into the school and did workshops, demonstrations, lectures and observations. The 2nd grant this fall was Strategies for Effective Parent/Teacher Conferences. Parents and teachers participated with Dr. Clement Seldin of the UMass faculty in techniques for making parent/teacher conferences better for both.

As population and needs for new programs arise, a space problem has developed within the building. This year the art room was made over into a 4th grade classroom. The ceiling was lowered, new lighting installed, and walls repainted. The art room is now in the former cafeteria office. Book storage has been moved into the downstairs locker room and the former storage closet is now used as a cafeteria storage and office.

The Parent Volunteer Program is a great source of support to our classroom teachers. Parents and townspeople work with individual small groups or help in the preparation of materials.

The Parent Advisory Group also remains active. They have helped with suggestions for our cafeteria as well as aided on days we have salad bars.

The PTO has had a successful fund drive for playground equipment.

Donations have been received from the Sanderson Alumni and the Trustees this year. These monies will be used for the purchase of new books and the replacement of worn out books, especially those that are beginning reading books.

As this is my last report to you as the Principal of Sanderson, I would like to wish the school and the community well as you look to the education of the students at Sanderson in the future. I have no doubt that all the options for the children will be thoughtfully considered and that the community will make the best decision it can for the next generations of students.

It is with some sadness but a heart that is full of gratitude that I have had the opportunity to wish you well and to thank the faculty, staff, and students, parents, and citizens of the town for their unfailing support and encouragement of the school and its students.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA A. CONANT
Principal

Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District Budget 1986-1987

Financial Statement as of June 30, 1987

SUMMARY

	1986-1987	Spent to Date	Balance
ADMINISTRATION	Appropriation		
	\$ 20,216.00	\$ 20,675.03	\$ (459.03)
INSTRUCTION	282,092.00	283,468.52	(1,376.52)
OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	79,107.00	75,265.36	3,841.64
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	52,537.00	57,031.18	(4,494.18)
FIXED CHARGES	23,360.00	14,159.74	9,200.26
ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>7,489.30</u>	<u>(4,989.30)</u>
	\$459,812.00	\$458,089.13	\$ 1,722.87
INSTRUCTION, SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 49,870.00	\$ 41,971.47	\$ 7,898.53
Total Operating Budget	<u>\$509,682.00</u>	<u>\$500,060.60</u>	<u>\$ 9,621.40</u>

Items	1986-1987	Spent to Date	Balance
Administration	Appropriation		
Treasurer's Salary	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ (100.00)
Recording Secretary	0	0	0
Sch. Comm. Legal Expenses	1,500.00	397.20	1,102.80
Supplies, Treasurer	500.00	764.84	(264.84)
Sch. Comm. Other Expense	<u>750.00</u>	<u>1,907.39</u>	<u>(1,157.39)</u>
	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 5,169.43	\$ (419.43)

Administrative Salaries	\$ 5,745.00	\$ 5,811.29	\$ (66.29)
Clerical Salaries	8,838.00	8,838.64	(.64)
Contracted Serv. Census	350.00	300.00	50.00
Administrative Travel	533.00	555.67	(22.67)
	<u>\$ 15,466.00</u>	<u>\$ 15,505.60</u>	<u>\$ (39.60)</u>
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	<u>\$20,216.00</u>	<u>\$ 20,675.03</u>	<u>\$ (459.03)</u>

Instruction			
Supervisors' Salaries	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$.00
Contracted Services-Curr.	700.00	195.00	505.00
Supervisor's Other Exp.	30.00	25.20	4.80
	<u>\$ 830.00</u>	<u>\$ 320.20</u>	<u>\$ 509.80</u>
Principal's Salary	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 29,096.16	\$ 903.84
Principal's Clerical	10,643.00	9,387.26	1,255.74
Principal's Supplies	700.00	902.47	(202.47)
Principal's Other Expense	1,000.00	637.22	362.78
	<u>\$ 42,343.00</u>	<u>\$ 40,023.11</u>	<u>\$ 2,319.89</u>

Teachers' Salaries	\$207,196.00	\$202,475.23	\$ 4,720.77
Substitute Teachers	4,000.00	3,224.28	775.72
Teacher Aide	5,095.00	13,597.14	(8,502.14)
Contracted Services	600.00	2,492.78	(1,892.78)
Instructional Supplies	9,000.00	9,668.38	(668.38)
Other Expense	1,145.00	1,978.30	(833.30)
	<u>\$227,036.00</u>	<u>\$233,436.11</u>	<u>\$ (6,400.11)</u>

Textbooks	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 419.57	\$ 2,080.43
Library Manager	\$ 7,033.00	\$ 6,996.99	\$ 36.01
Materials & Supplies	1,500.00	1,732.59	(232.59)
	<u>\$ 8,533.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,729.58</u>	<u>\$ (196.58)</u>

Audio Visual Supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ 166.26	\$ 233.74
Guidance/Testing Supplies	\$ 450.00	\$ 373.69	\$ 76.31
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	<u>\$282,092.00</u>	<u>283,468.52</u>	<u>\$ (1,376.52)</u>
Other School Services			
Health Salaries	\$ 2,715.00	\$ 1,965.10	\$ 749.90
Health Supplies	65.00	201.91	(136.91)
	<u>\$ 2,780.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,167.01</u>	<u>\$ 612.99</u>
Pupil Transportation	\$ 74,827.00	\$ 72,490.92	\$ 2,336.08
Cafeteria Salaries	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 607.43	\$ 892.57
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	<u>\$ 79,107.00</u>	<u>\$ 75,265.36</u>	<u>\$ 3,841.64</u>
Operation & Maintenance			
Custodial Salaries	\$ 21,237.00	\$ 20,958.70	\$ 278.30
Custodial Supplies	3,000.00	6,192.88	(3,192.88)
	<u>\$ 24,237.00</u>	<u>\$ 27,151.58</u>	<u>\$ (2,914.58)</u>
Heating Fuel Oil	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,077.50	\$ 4,922.50
Utilities	\$ 10,850.00	\$ 8,212.12	\$ 2,637.88
Maint. of Grounds, Contracted	0	1,650.00	(1,650.00)
Maint. of Grounds, Supplies	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ (100.00)
Maint. of Building-Contr.	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 9,632.42	\$ (3,632.42)
Maint. of Building-Supplies	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>3,751.48</u>	<u>(2,451.48)</u>
	<u>\$ 7,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,383.90</u>	<u>\$ (6,083.90)</u>

Maint. of Equipment-Cont.	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 2,498.29	\$ (1,198.29)
Maint. of Equipment-Supplies	800.00	907.79	(107.79)
	<u>\$ 2,100.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,406.08</u>	<u>\$ (1,306.08)</u>
TOTAL OPERATIONS & MAINT.	<u>\$ 52,537.00</u>	<u>\$ 57,031.18</u>	<u>\$ (4,494.18)</u>
Fixed Charges			
Franklin Cty. Retirement	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Insurance	\$ 23,360.00	\$ 14,159.74	\$ 9,200.26
TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	<u>\$ 23,360.00</u>	<u>\$ 14,159.74</u>	<u>\$ 9,200.26</u>
Acquisition of Fixed Assets			
New Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 7,160.30	\$ (5,660.30)
Replacement of Equipment	1,000.00	329.00	671.00
New Equipment	0	0	0
	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,489.30</u>	<u>\$ (4,989.30)</u>
SUBTOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$459,812.00</u>	<u>\$458,089.13</u>	<u>\$ 1,722.87</u>
Instruction, Special Education			
Teachers' Salaries	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$.00
Substitute Teachers	200.00	225.00	(25.00)
Teachers' Aide	\$ 18,200.00	\$ 18,225.00	\$ (25.00)
Contracted Services	0	2,495.20	(2,495.20)
Instructional Supplies	\$ 8,350.00	\$ 5,315.85	\$ 3,034.15
Other Expenses	400.00	0	400.00
	<u>200.00</u>	<u>41.40</u>	<u>158.60</u>
	<u>\$ 8,950.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,852.45</u>	<u>\$ 1,097.55</u>

Textbooks	\$ 100.00	\$.00	\$ 100.00
Guidance Salary	\$ 4,485.00	\$ 4,185.49	\$ 299.51
Guidance Supplies	50.00	0	50.00
	<u>\$ 4,535.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,185.49</u>	<u>349.51</u>
Psychological Salary	\$ 4,485.00	\$ 4,185.51	\$ 299.49
Psychological Contr. Services	200.00	1,486.75	(1,286.75)
Psychological Supplies	100.00	49.50	50.50
Psychological Other Expenses	100.00	12.96	87.04
	<u>\$ 4,885.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,734.72</u>	<u>\$ (849.72)</u>
TOTAL INSTRUCTION, SPED.	<u>\$ 36,670.00</u>	<u>\$ 35,997.66</u>	<u>\$ 672.34</u>
Other School Services, SPED.			
Transportation	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 991.01	\$ 5,008.99
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	<u>\$ 6,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 991.01</u>	<u>\$ 5,008.99</u>
Programs with Other District			
Tuition Other Than Public	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 4,982.80	\$ 2,217.20
TOTAL PROGRAMS W/O DISTRICT	<u>\$ 7,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,982.80</u>	<u>\$ 2,217.20</u>
SUBTOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION			
OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$ 49,870.00</u>	<u>\$ 41,971.47</u>	<u>\$ 7,898.53</u>
GRAND TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$509,682.00</u>	<u>\$500,060.60</u>	<u>\$ 9,621.40</u>
INCLUDES ENCUMBERED MONIES			

Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1987
After Transfers

ASSETS:		LIABILITIES:	
Cash, Bank of Boston	\$10,764.38	FICA	\$.26
Cash, M.M.D.T.	19,009.62	Blue Cross/ Blue Shield, Emp.	476.06
Cash, Heritage Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>	Blue Cross/ Blue Shield, Others	238.66
	\$79,774.00		
To Be Received:		Meal Tax	\$ 9.55
Town of Ashfield		School Lunch Fund	<u>7,780.58</u>
Town of Plainfield			7,790.13
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		Grants:	
Chapter 70		School Improvement	\$ 7.47
Chapter 71,		Chapter I	.00
Reg. Aid		Essential Skills	(18.67)
Chapter 71,		Instructional	
Transp.		Supplies	187.05
Other State Aid		Lucretia Crocker	1,561.50
		Gifted & Talented	18.60
E.E.O. Grant		18 K	7,219.00
		Pro. Develop.	3,283.00
		CII Math	<u>81.72</u>
			12,339.67

Band Revolving Fund

Estimated Receipts:

Interest
Miscellaneous
Comm. of Mass.

Budget

\$79,774.00

TOTAL ASSETS:

Unrestricted Surplus
Restricted Surplus

20,628.87
4,500.00

Summer Salaries

33,467.97

TOTAL LIABILITIES
AND RESERVES

\$79,774.01

Mohawk Trail Regional High School

Annual Report of the Principal

I am pleased to present my sixth annual report as Principal of Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The new school year is marked by continual growth, accomplishments and enthusiasm. Our population has broken the 800 mark, a high point over the past nine years. More students, coupled with increases in remedial programs and special education have produced significant space problems for the school.

This November, Mohawk received a plaque from the Federal Department of Education recognizing the school's progress toward excellence in education. This was an honor achieved by only 360 schools, both public and private, throughout the nation. At the same time, the school was also notified that two students, Scott Patlin and Kate Vetter, were selected as National Merit semi-finalists. We are very proud of the scholastic achievements of our students.

Middle school students were involved in the production of the musical, "The Wizard of Oz," which was presented to three sell-out audiences. At this writing, the entire school is involved in preparation for the musical, "The Little Shop of Horrors," which will be performed in the spring. The Jazz Band has performed at many local events and has won acclaim throughout the country. Music students are in the process of fund-raising and preparations for a week in Florida at a national competition this spring.

Athletically, Mohawk students continue to succeed in many events. There have been increased levels of participation in all sports and dramatic increases in the number of victories.

Departments in the school are involved in long range planning this year and are building educational plans to meet the needs of Mohawk students for the next five and ten year periods. They are closely examining population trends, facilities and changing educational technology. A complete plan will be available at the end of this school year.

The seventh grade teachers have been instrumental in the development of an inter-disciplinary unit based on "The Voyage of the Mimi". This program links math, science, English and social studies around a common theme of the ocean and whaling and shows students the interrelationships between subject matter. The culminating activity will be a whale watch in May.

Peer educators have been active in planning awareness weeks for all students at the school. In January, they organized an AIDS awareness week for students. Plans are in progress to develop programs around the themes of depression and suicide and also, alcohol and drug awareness. Mohawk has a commitment to provide training and information in these areas to its students.

Mohawk has been privileged to receive increased Federal and state funds for remedial programs this year. We have 1.5 positions available for students in the area of remedial writing and another full time position in the area of remedial reading. We are in the process of securing funds for a remedial mathematics position. These services have proven beneficial to students with needs in basic skill areas. Additionally, in January we received 95% pass rate in assessment areas of reading, writing and mathematics. Seventh and 12th grades are preparing for statewide curriculum assessment tests to be given in the spring.

This year at Mohawk has been successful and we look forward to continuation of our efforts to strive for excellence.

PHILIP A. DZIALO
Principal

The following students graduated with the Mohawk Trail Regional High School Class of 1987:

ASHFIELD

Annette Cranson
Kevin DeLuca
Josh Frankhouser
Christina Ghelfi
Thomas Gray
Mary Howes
Christine Lesure
Lisa Mannix
Michelle Mazzer
Jennifer Muller
Joe Newton
Jennifer Pepyne
Anabelsis Peralta
Mary Beth Pomeroy
Howard Streeter

Special Education Report

As of December 1, 1987 the number of students receiving special education services in the Mohawk Trail District was 301. This represents an increase of 9 over last year's December 1st count. The students range in age from 3 to 22 and receive services that vary from speech therapy to 24 hour a day residential treatment. The great majority of our population receives one to two hours a day of remedial services in a resource room while spending the remainder of the time in regular classrooms. Currently there are eight resource rooms in our district, one at each of elementary schools and three at Mohawk. The district also operates four "substantially separate" classrooms—one at Hawlemont, two at Buckland-Shelburne, and one at Mohawk. These programs service children with more severe needs who spend little time in regular classrooms.

Special education is experiencing the same kind of increased enrollment as regular education. More and more children with significant handicaps are entering our schools with the result that our specialized programs are stretched to capacity. In addition there is a problem with space. At some of our schools the need for expanded regular education classrooms has forced us to consider the possibility of moving "substantially separate" classrooms elsewhere. While I think that all options should be explored, I believe that that would be a mistake, both educationally and financially. I do not have any magic answers, but know that we all benefit from keeping our handicapped population in district schools.

Once again, our federal entitlement grants—94-142 and 89-313—have increased. Last year we received \$66,585 while this year it will be \$70,295. These monies allow us to fund positions and services that would be impossible otherwise. Our ability to access state and federal grants is critical as is legislative reform designed to lessen the burden on local taxpayers.

On a more personal note, this is my fifth, and last, Special Education Town Report. As many of you know, I am leaving my current position on January 25th to become Superintendent of the nearby Pioneer Valley/Union 18 School District. I will miss the Mohawk District for many reasons, but chief among them is the high quality of its educational programs, both regular and special education. And, the key to these quality programs is quality people; teachers, parents and administrators all working together to provide their students with the best education possible. It is an unusual and fortuitous mix that I hope you never lose and I am lucky enough to find.

KEVIN J. COURTNEY

School District Library/Media Services Report

In January the school district library/media staff invited all local public librarians to a mid-winter luncheon buffet and meeting at the high school library. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways in which all librarians could better serve the needs of their common patrons, the students in grades K-12. It is planned to make this an annual event.

On Monday evenings from September 14 to December 14, 1987, two courses entitled A Survey of Children's Literature were offered to faculty and staff in the school district. Approximately 40 participants had the opportunity to earn three graduate credits through North Adams State College. The course provided an overview of the history of children's literature as well as exposure to a multitude of new books and authors.

On October 28, 1987, the Mohawk Trail Regional School Resource Center again sponsored a district wide Preview Day for all teachers and staff members. Educators and community members from western Massachusetts were invited to examine the educational exhibits of more than 50 companies, including the Jefferey Amherst Bookstore, Berkshire Bindery and Datatronic Computer Store.

The school library/media centers continue to receive supplemental financial assistance for books and equipment through the use of Block Grant money. Book fairs, donations and miscellaneous small grants complement budgeted funds.

School district circulation statistics for 1987 are as follows:

Print material	36,833
Non-print material	3,778
Inter-library loan	252

Total circulation of all material except equipment is 40,863. The total for new material cataloged in all 6 school libraries was 1,138 items.

Library personnel are as follows: Buckland-Shelburne Regional - Toni Wilcox, Colrain Central School - Carol Agrillo, Hawlemont Regional - Sandy Gilbert, Rowe Elementary - Jane Wishart, Sanderson Academy - Beverly Williams, Barbara Pantermehl, Mohawk Trail Regional - Susan Silvester, Elizabeth Stewart, Marjorie Porrovecchio and Julie DuPree.

SUSAN B. SILVESTER
Director of Instructional
Media K-12

Mohawk Trail Regional School District Financial Report - FY 1987

Account Title	Allocated \$	June Expended	Y-T-D Expended \$	Unexpended Balance \$
Sch. Com. Secretary	455.00	0.00	455.00	0.00
Contr. Serv. — Sch. Com.	4,100.00	2,500.00	5,060.00	-960.00
Contr. Serv. — Legal	9,500.00	2,128.30	4,788.90	4,711.10
Sch. Com. — Sup. & Mat.	0.00	6.09	48.54	-48.54
Sch. Com. — Dues. Travel	0.00	495.84	511.04	-511.04
Sch. Com. — Advertising	745.00	193.15	2,762.78	-2,017.78
Treasurer — Salary	4,600.00	385.01	4,580.51	19.49
Asst. Treas. Salary	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Treas. — Contr. Services	3,000.00	240.86	2,849.19	150.81
Treas. — Supplies	600.00	0.00	442.85	157.15
Treas. — Other Expense	85.00	138.36	223.20	-138.20
Bonds — Treas.	300.00	0.00	277.00	23.00
Sub-Total SCHOOL COMMITTEE	23,585.00	6,087.61	22,199.01	1,385.99
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE				
Supt. & Assist. — Salary	21,077.00	1,635.22	21,257.84	-180.84
Supt. — Other Exp./Travel	1,713.00	0.00	2,194.91	-481.91
Bus. Mgr. Salary	13,390.00	1,069.78	13,907.26	-517.26
Bs. Mgr. — Other Exp./Travel	1,482.00	0.00	1,674.50	-192.50
Office Mgr. — Salary	8,854.00	990.01	11,805.21	-2,951.21
Ofc. Mgr. — Other Exp/Travel	100.00	54.18	123.34	-23.34
Secretary Salaries	40,310.00	2,834.14	35,969.79	4,340.21
Secretary Substitutes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contr. Ser. — Supt. Ofc.	4,000.00	572.11	6,034.63	-2,034.63
Supt. Ofc. — Sup. & Mat.	7,000.00	559.00	9,231.10	-2,231.10
Supt. Ofc. — Other Exp. Dues, ET.	705.00	122.04	312.42	392.58
Sub-Total SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	98,631.00	7,836.48	102,511.00	-3,880.00

SUPERVISION SERVICES

Coordinator's Salary	10,433.00	871.46	11,328.98	-895.98
Dept. Head Salaries	7,439.00	1,211.00	7,841.25	-402.25
Coordinator's Supplies	455.00	45.05	187.05	267.95
Coordinator's Other Expen.	533.00	36.72	184.35	348.65
SPED Coordinator Salary	34,020.00	2,592.68	34,705.00	-685.00
SPED-Coord. Secretary Sal.	6,635.00	510.00	6,638.87	-3.87
SPED-Contracted Services	0.00	0.00	372.00	-372.00
SPED-Coord. Sup. & Matl.	1,500.00	131.82	2,081.74	-581.74
SPED Coord. Other Expense	2,000.00	0.00	2,397.94	-397.94
Sub-Total SUPERVISION SERVICES	63,015.00	5,399.13	65,737.18	-2,722.18

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Principal-Salary	38,167.00	2,908.76	40,338.80	-2,171.80
Prin. Secretaries Salaries	39,644.00	3,143.40	38,535.40	1,108.60
Prin. Secr. Substitutes	0.00	422.50	1,430.00	-1,430.00
Prin. Ofc. — Contr. Serv.	2,150.00	0.00	1,250.71	899.29
Pr. Ofc. — Newsletters	0.00	208.50	1,399.40	-1,399.40
Pr. Ofc. — Gen. Supplies	5,900.00	0.00	7,357.10	-1,457.10
Pr. Ofc. — Other Expense	4,250.00	411.68	7,331.71	-3,081.71
Pr. Ofc. — Student Exp.	0.00	28.21	514.14	-514.14
Prin. Ofc. — Graduation	1,000.00	380.45	515.44	484.56
Asst. Princ. — Salary	33,502.00	6,225.96	35,821.61	-2,319.61
Sub-Total PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	124,613.00	13,729.46	134,494.31	-9,881.31

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

Teachers Salaries	1,145,841.00	299,985.19	1,147,507.81	-1,666.81
Tchr. Substitute Sals.	16,000.00	2,372.50	24,424.20	-8,424.20
Course Reimbursement	5,000.00	1,632.75	6,003.08	-1,003.08
Chaperones	1,000.00	173.88	1,114.12	-114.12
Pay Differentials	55,819.00	16,391.84	60,093.35	-4,274.35
Retirement Incentive	9,092.00	0.00	9,091.95	0.05
Aides Salaries	33,871.00	4,489.71	33,637.09	233.91

Aide Substitutes	0.00	148.57	1,373.87	-1,373.87
Inst. — Contr. Services	4,275.00	0.00	884.70	3,390.30
General Supplies	10,500.00	940.93	8,383.66	2,116.34
Teacher Other Expense	4,061.00	1,396.51	4,917.03	-856.03
Trnsp. — Leased Bus	0.00	0.00	8,769.16	-8,769.16
Lease Bus — Supplied & Matl.	0.00	733.05	2,489.78	-2,489.78
Lease Bus — Other Expenses	0.00	0.00	20.00	-20.00
Field Trip Transp.	0.00	1,013.15	2,755.02	-2,755.02
Driver Educ. — Salary	8,697.00	1,107.98	9,428.06	-731.06
Driver Ed. — Contr. Serv.	0.00	963.00	2,349.00	-2,349.00
Driver Ed. — Supplies	0.00	106.50	787.30	-787.30
Business Supplies	4,060.00	0.00	4,375.09	-315.09
English-Supplies	1,500.00	0.00	3,948.07	-2,448.07
Foreign Lang. — Supplies	850.00	37.50	1,065.45	-215.45
Hist./Soc. St. Sup.	2,605.00	0.00	1,525.09	1,079.91
Math. — Supplies	2,825.00	623.41	2,059.23	765.77
Phys. Ed. — Supplies	1,305.00	4.47	357.50	945.50
Related Arts — Sup.	16,031.00	185.76	19,143.85	-3,112.85
Science — Supplies	11,345.00	161.44	10,255.88	1,089.12
Print Shop — Sup.	2,940.00	0.00	4,908.39	-1,968.39
Middle School — Sup.	2,000.00	553.77	1,299.09	700.91
Computer Science — Sup.	496.00	0.00	484.18	11.82
SPED - Teacher Salaries	64,266.00	17,812.92	78,115.36	-13,849.36
SPED - Tchr. Substitutes	0.00	0.00	65.00	-65.00
SPED - Home Instruction	1,500.00	285.85	2,443.29	-943.29
SPED - Teacher Aides	35,570.00	4,579.91	32,987.59	2,582.41
SPED - Aide Subs	0.00	0.00	616.35	-616.35
SPED - Contracted Services	5,500.00	203.20	1,459.89	4,040.11
SPED - Supplies	900.00	0.00	1,457.59	-557.59
SPED - Other Expense	700.00	45.90	382.09	317.91
Sub-Total INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	1,448,547.00	285,949.59	1,490,978.16	-42,431.16

TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks — Business	643.00	41.32	1,070.39	-427.39
Textbooks — English	6,655.00	441.52	2,049.65	4,605.35
Textbooks — For. Language	1,785.00	0.00	1,300.59	484.41
Textbooks — History/Soc. Stu.	6,164.00	93.77	4,902.38	1,261.62
Textbooks — Math	2,060.00	0.00	2,826.12	-766.12
Textbooks — Phys. Ed.	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00
Textbooks — Related Arts	711.00	0.00	275.56	435.44
Textbooks — Science	3,350.00	0.00	3,341.43	8.57
Textbooks — Computer Science	314.00	0.00	335.42	-21.42
SPED — Textbooks	800.00	0.00	167.60	632.40
Sub-Total TEXTBOOKS	22,932.00	576.61	16,269.14	6,662.86

LIBRARY

Librarian — Salary	20,001.00	4,490.82	19,529.20	471.80
Asst. Librn. & Aide Sals.	14,191.00	2,468.04	15,148.85	-957.85
Libr. Sub. — Asst. & Aides	0.00	65.00	631.25	-631.25
Libry. Supplies & Material	6,000.00	141.24	6,894.66	-894.66
Libry. — Other Expense	250.00	127.62	347.89	-97.89
Sub-Total LIBRARY	40,442.00	7,292.72	42,551.85	-2,109.85

AUDIOVISUAL PROGRAMS

A-V. Aide Salary	8,815.00	872.48	9,754.19	-939.19
A-V. Sup. & Materials	4,935.00	117.82	3,999.45	935.55
Sub-Total AUDIOVISUAL PROGRAMS	13,750.00	990.30	13,753.64	-3.64

GUIDANCE SERVICES

St. Services — Counselor Sal.	73,568.00	17,299.98	77,426.09	-3,858.09
St. Services — Secretary Salary	12,750.00	980.80	12,750.40	-0.40
St. Services — Secretary Sub.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
St. Services — Contracted SE	1,563.00	268.75	1,241.40	321.60
St. Services — Sup. & Matl.	1,905.00	960.09	1,943.09	-38.09
St. Services — Other Expense	600.00	12.00	422.42	177.58
Sub-Total GUIDANCE SERVICES	90,386.00	19,521.62	93,783.40	-3,397.40

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Psychologist — Salary	29,226.00	4,659.68	28,006.50	1,219.50
Psych — Contracted Serv.	500.00	1,155.00	3,860.80	-3,360.80
Psych. — Supplies & Matl.	300.00	0.00	296.56	3.44
Psych. — Other Expense	200.00	33.84	136.75	63.25
Sub-Total PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	30,226.00	5,948.52	32,300.61	-2,074.61

ATTENDANCE SERVICES

Attendance Officer — Salary	325.00	0.00	325.00	0.00
Attendance Officer — Expense	75.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Sub-Total ATTENDANCE SERVICES	400.00	0.00	325.00	75.00

HEALTH SERVICES

Sch. Nurse — Substitute (Sal.)	0.00	0.00	726.61	-726.61
Physician — Salary	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00
School Nurse — Salary	13,000.00	1,271.26	13,760.55	-760.55
Health Sup. & Materials	1,045.00	63.95	1,002.63	42.37
Other Expense — Health	250.00	0.00	252.40	-2.40
Sub-Total HEALTH SERVICES	14,295.00	1,335.21	16,942.19	-2,647.19

Lease Bus Sup. & Matl.

Lease Bus. — Other Expense	3,175.00	0.00	0.00	3,175.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	3,175.00	0.00	0.00	3,175.00

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Private School Transp.	0.00	794.00	2,764.00	-2,764.00
Contracted Serv. — Pupil Tr.	417,350.00	32,835.39	361,431.10	55,918.90
Trns. — Late Bus	17,075.00	3,397.50	18,167.50	-1,092.50
Trns. — Gasoline	0.00	6,733.76	39,565.53	-39,565.53
Trns. — Lease Bus	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trns. — Field Trips	4,235.00	0.00	0.00	4,235.00
Trns. — Sped. Contr. Serv.	13,000.00	535.10	11,014.00	1,986.00
Trns. — Gas Sped.	0.00	476.35	2,550.68	-2,550.68
Trns. — Sped Lease Van	0.00	0.00	5,500.00	-5,500.00
Sub-Total PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	451,660.00	44,772.10	440,992.81	10,667.19

FOOD SERVICES			
Cafe. Mgr. — Salary	9,500.00	1,330.62	14,405.66
Cafe. Wkrs. — Holidays, etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total FOOD SERVICES	9,500.00	1,330.62	14,405.66
ATHLETIC SERVICES			
Athl. Computer Payroll	0.00	0.00	1,618.69
Ath. — Contr. Sals. (Ofcls.)	0.00	242.00	7,995.50
Ath. Transp.	0.00	989.24	2,778.29
Athletic Supplies	38,959.00	3,377.05	17,906.85
Ath. — Other (Rent Fees)	0.00	129.60	4,736.67
Athletic Insurance	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Sub-Total ATHLETIC SERVICES	38,959.00	4,737.89	36,036.00
CUSTODIAL SERVICES			
Custodial — Salaries	112,087.00	9,022.55	111,179.84
Custodial — Supplies & Matl.	9,130.00	177.37	10,016.91
Custodial Travel	0.00	0.00	15.84
Sub-Total CUSTODIAL SERVICES	121,217.00	9,199.92	121,212.59
HEATING OF BUILDINGS			
Electric — Building	107,929.00	11,592.68	117,047.68
Sub-Total HEATING OF BUILDINGS	107,929.00	11,592.68	117,047.68
UTILITY SERVICES			
Telephone (For computer)	0.00	54.78	333.89
Telephones — High School	4,000.00	998.31	4,979.57
Telephone — Supt. Ofc. Computer	0.00	97.67	340.07
Telephone — Supt. Ofc.	3,550.00	427.85	2,124.23
Sub-Total UTILITY SERVICES	7,550.00	1,578.61	7,777.76
MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS			
Yards & Grounds — Contr. Ser.	0.00	420.00	2,038.88
			-2,038.88

Yards & Grounds — Supplies	3,494.00	519.36	4,693.78	-1,199.78
Yards & Grounds — Custodial Salary	0.00	0.00	494.04	-494.04
Sub-Total MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS	3,494.00	939.36	7,226.70	-3,732.70
MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS				
Sch. Bldg. Contr. Service	17,000.00	596.37	19,871.66	-2,871.66
Sch. Bldg. Maint. Supplies	7,820.00	378.69	6,209.85	1,610.15
Energy Conservation	1,000.00	504.00	1,540.00	-540.00
Sub-Total MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS	25,820.00	1,479.06	27,621.51	-1,801.51
MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT				
Bldg. Equip. Contracted	950.00	91.50	23,020.53	-22,070.53
Bldg. Equip. Maint. Supp.	7,567.00	476.07	5,073.36	2,493.64
H.S. Equip. Maint. Repair	7,840.00	833.20	15,111.85	-7,271.85
Supt's Equip., Maint.	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00
Sub-Total MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	16,807.00	1,400.77	43,205.74	-26,398.74
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PROGRAM				
Fr. Cty. Retirement	82,179.00	0.00	42,790.00	39,389.00
FICA Medicare Tax	0.00	377.49	2,992.51	-2,992.51
Sub-Total EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PROGRAM	82,179.00	377.49	45,782.51	36,396.49
INSURANCES				
All Other Insurances	33,000.00	69.00	39,847.00	-6,847.00
Unemployment Insurance	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	96,380.00	0.00	102,626.99	-6,246.99
Boston Mutual Life Ins.	720.00	0.00	516.94	203.06
Sub-Total INSURANCES	135,100.00	69.00	142,990.93	-7,890.93
CIVIC ACTIVITIES				
Community Services	40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Sub-Total CIVIC ACTIVITIES	40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00

APPROPRIATIONS					
Private School Transp.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total APPROPRIATIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ACQUISITION/IMPROVEMENT EQUIP.					
H.S. New Equipment	28,944.00	866.65	29,012.24	-68.24	
SPED — New Equipment	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	
Supt. Ofc. New Equip.	500.00	0.00	6,351.91	-5,851.91	
Sub-Total ACQUISITION/IMPROVEMENT EQUIP.	29,844.00	866.65	35,364.15	-5,520.15	
REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT					
H.S. Replacement Equip.	14,804.00	300.68	10,933.75	3,870.25	
Supt. Ofc. Replace. Equip.	1,500.00	0.00	1,334.39	165.61	
Sub-Total REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	16,304.00	300.68	12,268.14	4,035.86	
DEBT RETIREMENT					
Principal — Debt. Retire.	34,619.00	0.00	0.00	34,619.00	
Sub-Total DEBT RETIREMENT	34,619.00	0.00	0.00	34,619.00	
DEBT SERVICE					
Interest — Debt. Retire.	0.00	0.00	653.40	-653.40	
Sub-Total DEBT SERVICE	0.00	0.00	653.40	-653.40	
PROGRAMS WITH NON-PUBLIC SCHLS					
Tuition — Nonpublic Schools	17,200.00	456.82	7,756.82	9,443.18	
Sub-Total PROGRAMS WITH NON-PUBLIC SCHLS.	17,200.00	456.82	7,756.82	9,443.18	
PAYMENTS TO COLLABORATIVES					
Tuition — Collaboratives	11,300.00	0.00	13,959.60	-2,659.60	
Sub-Total PAYMENTS TO COLLABORATIVES	11,300.00	0.00	13,959.60	-2,659.60	
Sub-Total MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCH.	3,083,519.00	433,668.90	3,106,147.49	-22,628.49	
Sub-Total APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,083,519.00	\$433,668.90	\$3,106,147.49	\$-22,628.49	
				.00	

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1987

After Transfers

ASSETS:		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:	
Cash, Bank of Boston,		Fund Balance, Asbestos	\$154,453.39
EOER	\$ 3,379.19	Asbestos, Temporary Loans	325,000.00
Cash, Bank of Boston,		Asbestos, Loan Offset	(325,000.00)
Now	168,780.48	Asbestos, Expenses	0.00
Cash, MMDT	161,014.94	Asbestos, Interest Earned	0.00
Cash, MMDT			
Asbestos	<u>154,453.39</u>		
	\$487,628.00		
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		Payroll Deductions:	\$ 119.18
Town of Ashfield		United Way	325.00
Buckland		TSA	(1.88)
Charlemont		FICA	<u>3,994.73</u>
Colrain		BC BS	
Hawley			
Heath			
Plainfield			
Shelburne			
Asbestos Town Receipts		Blue Cross/Blue Shield-Retirees	898.27
		Cafeteria, School Lunch	(2,456.25)
		Cafeteria, Meal Tax	0.00
			(2,456.25)
		Music Fund	154.94
		Athletic Fund	167.06
		Non-revenue Construction	0.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:			
Chapter 70		Grants:	
Chapter 71, Reg. Aid		Chapter I	1,140.39
Chapter 71, Transp.		Title VIB	(2,765.51)
Other State Aid		Adp. P.E.	1,603.91
		Block Grant	

Tuition		
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$487,628.00	
Block Grant '86	38.51	
Block Grant '87	171.33	
Oc. Educ.		
Comp. Energy	(14,558.50)	
E.O.E.R.	3,379.19	
Incentive Learn.		
Childhood Plan.	3,750.00	
Horace Mann		
Sped Testing		
CII-Library		
Sch. Improvement		
H. Rm. Advisory		
Appleworks		(7,240.68)

Estimated Receipts:		
Interest		
Comm. of Mass.		
Driver Educ.		
Miscellaneous		
Rotating Salaries		
Unrestricted Surplus	35,914.81	
Restricted Surplus	175,500.00	
999 Account	(27,355.18)	
School Budget Balance		
Encumbered Salaries	1532,154.64	
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	\$487,628.03	

Mohawk Trail Regional School District Vocational Account

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1987

ASSETS:			
Cash, MMDT	\$330,353.55		
Cash, State Street	<u>13,887.43</u>		
		\$344,240.98	
TOTAL ASSETS:		<u>\$344,240.98</u>	
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			
Notes Payable			\$425,000.00
Loan Offset			<u>(425,000.00)</u>
Estimated Receipts:			
Interest Earned		\$ 17,822.81	
Chapter 70		<u>37,499.32</u>	
Town Receipts		132,261.50	
Miscellaneous		<u>10,785.00</u>	
Loan		<u>270,000.00</u>	
			<u>468,368.63</u>
Expenses:			
Tuition		(140,410.81)	
Transportation		<u>(73,248.23)</u>	
Interest		(25,639.69)	
Miscellaneous		<u>(85.00)</u>	
			<u>(239,383.73)</u>
Fund Balance			<u>115,256.08</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			<u>\$344,240.98</u>

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1987 For Vocational Account After Final Transfers

ASSETS:			
Cash, MMDT	\$330,353.55		
Cash, State Street	<u>13,887.43</u>		
		\$344,240.98	
TOTAL ASSETS:		<u>\$344,240.98</u>	
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			
Notes Payable			\$425,000.00
Loan Offset			<u>(425,000.00)</u>
Fund Balance			344,240.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:			<u>\$344,240.98</u>

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Interest on Loans	2,500.00	
Interest on Sewer Loans (Free Cash)		10,000.00
Lake - Phase I Diagnostic/Feas. Study	22,800.00	
Lifeguard	3,324.50	
Machinery Expenses	40,000.00	
Medicare	750.00	
Memorial Day	350.00	
Nursing & Health Services	100.00	
Office - Part-time Clerical	2,500.00	
Office Expenses	4,500.00	
Parks & Beach	2,360.00	
Planning Board Expenses	3,000.00	
Police Chief's Salary	18,000.00	
Police Department	19,000.00	
Registrars of Voters	500.00	
Rent of Hydrants	1,302.70	
Reserve Fund (Overlay Surplus)		5,000.00
Retirement System, F.C.	28,709.00	
Schools		
Ashfield/Plainfield Reg.		
(Reduced Assess - \$199,423.84)	284,963.95	
Mohawk Trail Reg. School	311,312.44	
Stabilization Fund (Free Cash)		40,000.00
Street Lights	5,000.00	
Street Lists	350.00	
Tax Collector's Expenses	2,138.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00	
Town Counsel	4,000.00	
Town Hall, Maintenance	2,500.00	
Town Hall, Renovation	4,000.00	
Town Hall, Structural Repair & Painting		
(Fred Cross Fund)		3,000.00
Town Officers	13,850.00	

Town Reports	2,500.00	
Transfer Station	50,000.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	1,000.00	
Tree Warden	2,800.00	
Unemployment Compensation	500.00	
Veterans' Benefits	100.00	
Veterans' Center	2,893.35	
Winter Roads	55,000.00	
Wiring & Plumbing Inspector Program	4,523.20	
Workmen's Compensation	10,000.00	
(Exempt Bond Issue	\$86,000.00)	
Annual Meeting Total:	\$1,207,866.14	\$ 101,230.00
Special Meeting, June 29, 1987:		
Council on Aging	\$ 500.00	
	\$1,107,136.14	\$ 101,230.00
Special Meeting, September 28, 1987:		
Fires & Equip. —		
Transfer from Insur. Town Bldgs.	600.00	
	\$1,107,136.14	\$ 101,230.00
Special Meeting, January 25, 1988		
Engineering Report —		
Comm. Treat. System (Free Cash)		\$ 2,100.00
Board of Health (Free Cash)		2,500.00
	\$1,107,136.14	\$ 105,830.00

ATTEST:

ELEANOR M. WARD
Town Clerk

Town Meeting Warrant

NOTE: This Warrant is for the voter's information only and changes, additions and/or deletions may occur prior to the posting of the Official Warrant.

FRANKLIN, SS:

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ashfield in the County of Franklin, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Ashfield, on Saturday, the seventh day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles: —

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator, Auditor, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tree Warden, all for One year terms. A Selectman, Assessor, Tax Collector, one Finance Committee Member, Sanderson School Committee Member, Board of Health Member and a Park Commissioner, all for Three year terms. One Sanderson School Committee Member and a Library Trustee, each for a Two year unexpired term. A Library Trustee and a Planning Board Member, each for a Five year term. A Planning Board Member for a Three year unexpired term. A Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee Member, a Library Trustee, Planning Board Member and a Constable, all for One year unexpired terms and to vote on the following questions: 1. "Shall the town, in addition to the payment of fifty percent of a premium for contributory group life and health insurance for employees in the service of the town and their dependents, pay a subsidiary or additional rate?" and 2. "Shall the Town of Ashfield be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to design and construct a community treatment system and limited wastewater collection system to serve the Ashfield village and Ashfield lake areas of the town as described in the Town of Ashfield, Massachusetts Facilities Plan and Geohydrologic Investigation Report dated January 17, 1983 and voted under Question 1, April 2, 1983, and the Town of Ashfield, Massachusetts Design Report amendment dated April, 1988?", all on one ballot. Polls may close at 6:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 2. To act on the Reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an additional sum of money to meet the Town's share of the cost of designing and constructing a sewerage system including sewers, pumping station and community treatment system, amendment of community septic system, such sum to be expended together with and in addition to monies voted under Article 8 and Article 9 at the May 21, 1983 meeting and together with and in addition to State and Federal Grants for the project; that to meet such appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the additional sum of money necessary under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8 (15) of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes therefor, that the Selectmen be authorized to apply for, accept and expend any State or Federal Grants that may be available for the project; that the Selectmen be authorized to execute form FmHA 442-47; that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder until the Selectmen have determined that State and Federal Grants will be made available for the project, and that betterments shall be assessed in connection with construction of the project in accordance with the applicable provisions of the General Laws, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,500.00 to operate and maintain the Transfer Station, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Law prepared by the Board of Selectmen:

SECTION I: RECYCLING PROGRAM There is hereby established a program for the mandatory separation of certain recyclable material from garbage or rubbish by the residents of the Town of Ashfield.

SECTION II: DEFINITIONS Recyclables are hereby defined as discarded materials which may be reclaimed and which are considered saleable and recyclable by the Town of Ashfield. For the purposes of this By-Law, they are defined in the following categories:

- a. **Aluminum:** Cans made from aluminum, aluminum foil, aluminum wrappers and containers or trays used in packaging, preparation or cooking of prepared dinners, pies, cakes or other foods.

b. **Glass:** All unbroken jars and bottles, or similar products made from silica or sand, soda, ash and limestone, the product being transparent or translucent and being used for packaging or bottling of various matter and all other material commonly known as glass excluding:

1. Flat glass and glass commonly known as window glass
2. Dishes and crockery

c. **Ferrous Metal Cans:** All containers, composed in whole of iron or steel and so called "tin" cans used for the packaging or storing of various food and non-food items, **EXCEPT** containers which contained paint or petroleum based solvents and any pressurized aerosol cans.

d. **Clean and Unsoiled Newspaper:** Including newsprint, all new, paper advertisements, supplements, comics and enclosures, magazines and books (without hard covers). Newspapers shall be considered clean and uncontaminated if they have **not** been exposed to substances or conditions rendering them unusable for recycling. Persons may wrap solid waste in used newspapers and discard same with regular solid waste even if such wrapping does not render the newspapers unusable for recycling.

e. **Corrugated Paper:** Corrugated boxes, cardboard, cardboard cartons, pasteboard and similar corrugated and craft paper materials.

SECTION III: SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLES

- a. Recyclable papers are to be deposited in the containers so identified at the Town Transfer Station. They need not be bundled nor separated as to type.
- b. Corrugated boxes and cardboard containers must be flattened and placed in the containers so identified at the Town Transfer Station.
- c. All containers of glass (any color) and metal cans must be placed in the container so identified at the Town Transfer Station.

SECTION IV: OWNERSHIP OF RECYCLABLES

Once deposited in the proper container at the Town Transfer Station, all materials become the property of the Town of Ashfield.

SECTION V: VIOLATIONS - ENFORCEMENT

- a. Violation of any section of this By-Law, or any part thereof, shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$50.00.
- b. The Board of Selectmen will be charged with the responsibility of enforcing this By-Law.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain on behalf of the Town the property owned by Elsie G. Mayer described in deed of Margaret E. Dean to George A. and Elsie G. Mayer, dated March 20, 1979 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds on February 2, 1981 in Book 1644, Page 102, said property to be used for operating and maintaining a Transfer Station and demolition area and, in addition, to appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 from Free Cash for the purpose of making said purchase or taking. The property is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by land now or formerly of Mrs. Clara Sanderson;
Easterly by the State Highway, Route 112;
Southerly by land now or formerly of Daniel G. Howes; and
Westerly by an old road.

Containing about twenty (20) acres.

Being all and the same premises conveyed to Margaret E. Dean by Dora W. Peck by deed dated September 16, 1963, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 1157, Page 551.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000.00 for Winter Roads, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 in anticipation of partial reimbursement under Chapter 497 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971, as amended, and transfer into a General Highway Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,297.00 to be used in conjunction with monies allotted by the State under Chapter 199, Acts of 1987, and to borrow the sum of \$29,703.00 under the provisions of Chapter 199, Acts of 1987, per Fiscal 1988 contract with the State in anticipation of 100% reimbursement, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,022.00 to be used in conjunction with monies allotted by the State under Chapter 206, Acts of 1986, and to borrow the sum of \$28,978.00 under the provisions of Chapter 206, Acts of 1986, per Fiscal 1987 contract with the State in anticipation of 100% reimbursement, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 from Free Cash to pay the Town's share of the 1987 Flood Repair costs not covered by Federal or State reimbursement, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue and abandon the entire length of Bullitt Branch Road, which accesses Bullitt Road and the entire length of Chapel Falls Road, which accesses Williamsburg Road, as provided under the provisions of Chapter 81, Section 21 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a new pickup and plow for the Highway Dept., or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 for the 1989 Fiscal Year Machinery Expense account to be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to pay the salary of the Highway Superintendent, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,216.57 to pay the principal (\$15,530.00) and interest (\$4,686.57) due on the Highway Grader Loan, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash for repairs to the bridge over the South River which connects the State Highway, Route 116, to the property owned by Josephine Burnett as shown on Assessors' Map #8-5, lot #6, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any used Town Owned Equipment and/or property, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 as the Town's share of the Shared Administrative Assistant's Program, to accept any other funds as may be available to support said program during Fiscal Year 1989, and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a cooperative agreement as prescribed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A for the program's administration and management, subject to approval of funding from other entities involved, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury, such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$10,500.00
Bonds	700.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves - Rev. Sharing	350.00
Civil Defense Expenses	100.00
Community Development Commission	100.00
Conservation Commission	200.00
Council on Aging - Rev. Sharing	735.00
Elections	900.00
Health, Board of	3,000.00
Heating Town Hall & Station	3,400.00
Historical Commission	200.00
Inspection of Animals	125.00
Interest on Loans	2,500.00
Medicare	1,000.00
Memorial Day	500.00
Registrars of Voters	500.00
Retirement System	17,801.00
Street Lights	5,000.00
Street Lists	450.00
Town Counsel	4,000.00
Town Hall	2,500.00
Town Reports/Town Valuation Lists	4,000.00
Tree Warden	3,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00
Veterans' Center	2,614.95
Total	<u>\$65,775.95</u>

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Highway Department - Paid Vacations & Holidays	\$ 8,300.00
Highway Department - Sick Leave	2,500.00
Insurance - Public Official Liability	3,100.00
Insurance - Town Buildings & Equipment	33,000.00
Workmen's Compensation	<u>8,544.00</u>
Total	\$55,454.00

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Dog Officer's Expenses	\$ 150.00
Planning Board Expenses	1,155.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	2,338.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00
Treasurer's Expenses	<u>750.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,143.00

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Administrative Assistant	\$20,600.00
Part-time, Clerical	2,500.00
Office Expenses	<u>4,500.00</u>
Total	\$27,600.00

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an addition sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the Assessors' Revaluation account as voted under Article 15 at the Annual Town Meeting, May 2, 1987, or act relative thereto. thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,200.00 from Free Cash for Assessors' Expenses, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41B, as enacted by Chapter 73, Acts of 1986, an act relative to Real Estate Exemption for the Elderly, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the board of Selectmen to enter into agreements with other Franklin County Towns/Districts for the purpose of forming a Dispatch Center Cooperative, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,040.00 for Fires & Equipment; the sum of \$11,040.00 to be used for general operating expenses and the sum of \$3,000.00 to be spent to purchase two radios and to rebuild two Scott Air Packs, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1988, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,750.00 to pay for the services of a public accountant to provide fiscal assistance, prepare the annual balance sheet and conduct a biennial audit of the town's accounting records, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1988-1989 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985, in the amount of \$2,516.00, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1988-1989 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985, in the amount of \$39,281.00. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1988-1989 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985, in the amount of \$34,512.00. Said Grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Mohawk Trail Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$333,867.41 (Capital, \$1,530.88; Operating, \$283,441.21; Vocational Brokering, \$48,895.32) to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1989 Capital, Operating and Vocational Brokering cost budget for the Mohawk Trail Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$218,255.00 to pay the Town's share of the Operating cost budget of the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,270.00 for Park & Beach operations and maintenance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a Lifeguard and Swimming Instruction for the Town Beach, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following sums of money from Free Cash to pay the salaries of the Town Officers:

Chairman, Selectmen	\$ 1,000.00
Two Selectmen @ \$800 ea.	1,600.00
Chairman, Assessors	1,000.00
Two Assessors @ \$800 ea.	1,600.00
Treasurer	3,000.00
Tax Collector	1,200.00
Town Clerk	2,000.00
Civil Defense Director	300.00
Fire Chief	600.00
Dog Officer	400.00
Moderator	50.00
Three Members, Board of Health @ \$200 ea.	600.00
Chairman, School Committee	200.00
Two Members, School Committee @ \$150 ea.	300.00
Total	<u>\$13,850.00</u>

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to pay for structural repairs and painting of the Town Hall, and to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to draw on the Frederick A. Cross General Purpose Fund for this amount, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be used for Town Hall

Renovation and to accept any monies and/or grants which may be received for this purpose, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the town will vote to authorize Selectmen to contract with the Ashfield Water District for the use of hydrants for fire protection and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,302.70 for that purpose.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash for a Reserve Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 1987 Ambulance Earnings & Gifts in the amount of \$5,102.00 deposited in the Ambulance Maintenance Fund to be used to maintain and equip the Town Ambulance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Town's share of the Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to pay the salary of the Police Chief, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000.00 to be used for the general operations of the Police Department, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,332.12 as the Town's share of the joint Wiring, Plumbing and Gas Inspector Program, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for the renovation and/or addition to the existing Belding Memorial Library, such sum to be used in conjunction with any State and/or Federal funds that may be available for said project and further, that the Board of Library Trustees be authorized to apply for any State and/or Federal Grants available and the Board of Selectmen be authorized to accept and expend any State and/or Federal grants that may be available for said project, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for the general operations of

the Belding Memorial Library as well as to accept any other State or Federal Aid, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,672.00 to pay Ashfield's share of the Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 from Free Cash to pay the Interest on Sewer Loans, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer a sum of money from Free Cash into the Stabilization Fund, or act relative thereto.

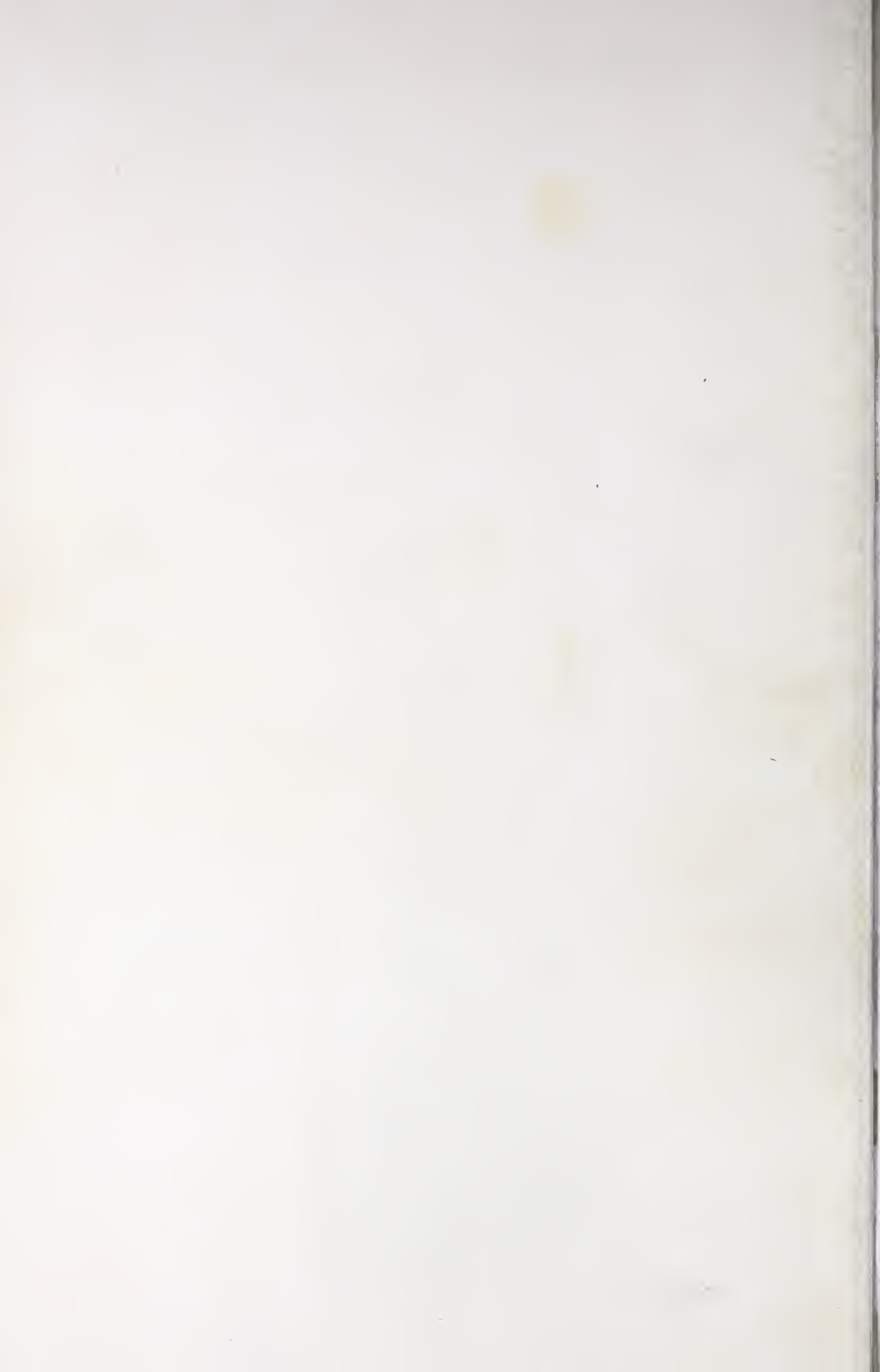
ARTICLE 53. (This article by petition.) To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution:

"Whereas, the development of anti-satellite weapons and space-based missile defenses would increase the risk of nuclear war and stimulate a dangerous competition in offensive nuclear arms, and

Whereas, the arms race in space poses a great threat to the national security of the United States and will be a debilitating drain on our country's financial resources; and

Whereas, outer space must remain free of any weapons, to be preserved as an arena for non-threatening uses, peaceful cooperation, exploration and scientific discovery among all nations,

Therefore, it is the will of the people of Ashfield, Massachusetts that the President of the United States be notified by the Town Clerk that we are not in favor of the militarization of space and do not want any development, testing, and/or deployment of the Strategic Defense Initiative. Copies of this resolution will be sent to the U.S. Secretary of Defense, the Chairmen of the House and Senate Defense Appropriations Committees, and our Congressional Delegation."



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MASSACHUSETTS**



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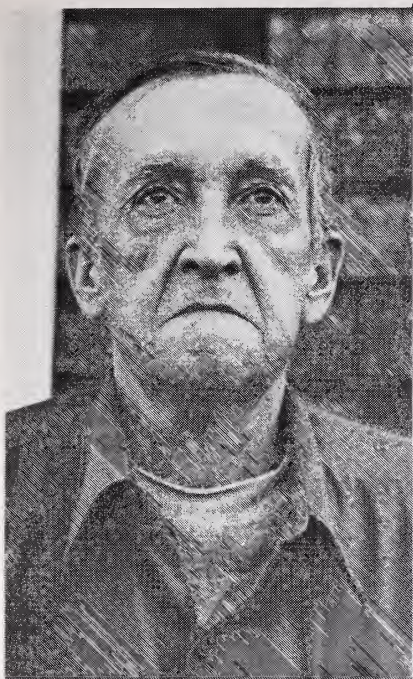


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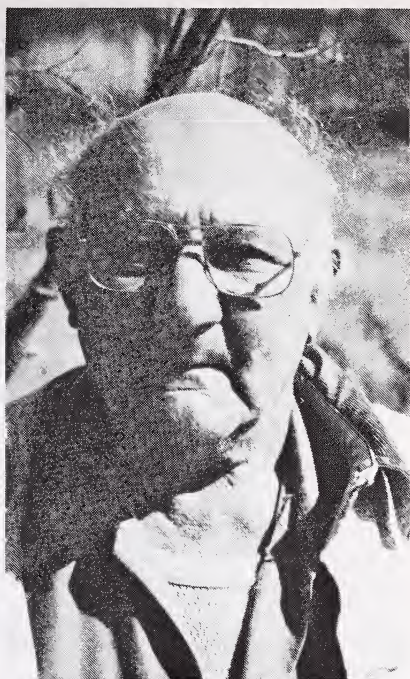
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Ralph W. Graves



Henry Warger

Dedication

The Town wishes to express its appreciation to the long and dedicated service of Ralph W. Graves, Highway Superintendent, and Henry Warger, Transfer Station Attendant.

When we asked the question, who contributed the most in a free society, the answer is neither one person nor all; but rather the average person. For it is the median of all its people that gives a community its strength, vigor and vitality of spirit. Dedicated service of people to many organizations, public, private, youthful and spiritual, is what determines the level of the quality of community life. To quote Abraham Lincoln, "God must have loved the common people for he made so many of them." The Town is fortunate to have a good dose of those people who add to the quality of life enjoyed by all.

The strength of the community is attributable to the dedicated service of people like Henry Warger and Ralph Graves. Our thanks for their service and best wishes to their retirement.



THE
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UNITED STATES SENATORS

Edward M. Kennedy, Boston
432 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

John Kerry
Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Silvio O. Conte, Pittsfield
2300 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

GOVERNOR

Michael Dukakis
Brookline

STATE SENATOR

John Olver, Amherst
Room 413A State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Jonathan L. Healy, Shelburne Falls
House of Representatives, State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Margaret H. Herlihy, Chairman, Deerfield
Term expires January, 1989

Francis R. Pleasant, Montague
Term expires January, 1989

William D. Benson, Greenfield
Term expires January, 1991

Town Officers

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors hold regular weekly meetings every Monday evening at the Town Offices in the Town Hall from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

MODERATOR

MICHAEL E.C. GERY

1 yr. terms

AUDITOR

GEORGE C. MONK

TOWN CLERK

ELEANOR M. WARD

TREASURER

JANET M. SWEM

TREE WARDEN

RAMON R. SEARS

TAX COLLECTOR 3 yr. term

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD

Term Expires 1991

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 yr. term

ROBERT ROBERTSON

Term expires 1989

THOMAS S. CARTER, Chr.

Term expires 1990

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK

Term expires 1991

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 3 yr. term

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chr.

Term expires 1989

RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Term expires 1990

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1991

FINANCE COMMITTEE

THOMAS G. CRANSTON, Chr.

Term expires 1989

PAUL E. SWEM

Term expires 1989

LINDA L. TAYLOR

Term expires 1990

ALAN W. LILLY

Term expires 1990

JUDITH M. GRAVES

Term expires 1991

SANDERSON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

FRANCIS C. DUFRESNE

Term expires 1989

DAVID W. MAGEE, III

Term expires 1990

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Chr.

Term expires 1991

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE 3 yrs.

THOMAS ULRICH

Term expires 1989

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Representative from Ashfield

BOARD OF HEALTH 3 yr. term

DOROTHY L. LONGLEY (Resigned Oct. 3, 1988)

Term expires 1989

THOMAS S. LEUE (App't Dec. 5, 1988)

App't expires 1989

BRUCE A. BENNETT, Chr.

Term expires 1990

HARRY L. DODSON

Term expires 1991

CONSTABLES 3 yr. term

JOHN A. LaBELLE

Term expires 1989

WALTER D. ZALENSKI

Term expires 1989

ROGER H. HMIELESKI

Term expires 1989

PARK COMMISSIONERS 3 yr. term

KENNETH W. RILLINGS, Chr.	Term expires 1989
SUZANNE L. MOORE	Term expires 1990
HOLLY M. TIRRELL	Term expires 1991

PLANNING BOARD 5 yr. term

ETHEL R. KIPEN	Term expires 1989
NORMAN C. SCOTT (Resigned 11/28/88)	Term expires 1990
RICHARD CHANDLER (App't 12/5/88)	App't expires 1989
ANNE YURYAN	Term expires 1991
MARY FITZ-GIBBON, Chr.	Term expires 1992
STEWART EISENBERG (App't 7/05/88)	App't expires 1989

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 5 yr. term

MARY S. LUCAS	Term expires 1989
MICHELINE DUFAU	Term expires 1990
MAURICE ISSERMAN (App't)	App't expires 1989
NOAH GORDON, Chr.	Term expires 1991
RICHARD M. EVANS	Term expires 1992
DIANA M. BENNETT	Term expires 1993

The following offices are filled by Appointment:

BOARD OF APPEALS

JOHN F. McNIFF, Chr.	June 1989
RALPH E. TOWNSLEY	June 1990
CLAYTON C. CRAFT	June 1991
KENNETH A. LILLY, Assoc.	June 1989
WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, Assoc.	June 1991

ARTS COUNCIL

BEVERLY A. WILLIAMS	October 1989
MARY JANE JOHNSON	October 1989
J. WILLIAM HOTH	June 1990
NANCY L. RILLINGS	June 1990
RUTH K. ZENICK	June 1990
SANDRA J. CARTER	June 1990
JANE F. LUND	June 1990
NORMAN L. RUSSELL, Chr.	June 1990

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SUSAN McGOWAN, Treas.	June 1989
ANNE YURYAN	June 1989
DEANNE BROCHU, Chr.	June 1990
THOMAS ULRICH	June 1990
RUTH J. CRAFT, Sec.	June 1991

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RUSSELL V. LOOMIS, JR.	June 1989
MARY K. WIGMORE, Chr.	June 1989
ALAN G. SURPRENANT	June 1990
KENNETH L. ROBERTS	June 1991
MARK P. SPEES	June 1991

COUNCIL ON AGING

MARIANNA T. GRAVES	June 1989
GEORGE C. MONK	June 1989
FERN D. NYE	June 1990
HELENE WALKER	June 1990
SYLVIA MONK, Chr.	June 1991

ENERGY RESOURCES COMMISSION

PHILIP E. PLESS, Chr.	June 1989
ELLIOTT J. MARSH	June 1990
CURTIS E. PICHETTE	June 1990
DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	June 1991
DAVID A. KNOWLES	June 1991
THOMAS A. McCURM	June 1991
CHRISTINE REID	June 1991

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

ANGELINA M. O'DONNELL	JANICE W. SCOTT
JUNE M. FITZGERALD	ELEANOR M. WARD

AMBULANCE SERVICE

DIANNE D. FIELD	Co-Directors	DOUGLAS M. FIELD
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CHIEF OF POLICE

ROGER H. HMIELESKI, Acting Chief	GARY M. SIBILIA, Chief
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FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN

DOUGLAS M. FIELD

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

JOHN DOUGHERTY	STEVEN A. JUDGE
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WIRING, PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTION PROGRAM

PAULIN BUKOWSKI (Plumbing & Gas)
EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA (Wiring)

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

CARMEN J. DeLUCA, JR.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

HELEN E. DOYLE	EDWARD F. LAGOY	
JOHN L. MATTIS	EMILIANNA STREETER	DAVID GOLD
DOROTHY M. HALL	THOMAS GAMBINO	

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

LESLIE C. LADD

VETERANS' AGENT

EUGENE E. BALAZS

BURIAL AGENT

GEORGE F. BICKFORD

DOG OFFICER

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

THOMAS G. POISSANT

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

BRUCE E. WILLARD

FIELD DRIVERS

E. WILL HEISER

ROLAND E. TOWNSLEY

FENCE VIEWERS

CHARLES C. GRAY

JOHN R. MOTT

**SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER
RAMON R. SEARS**

**FREDERIC W. WELLS TRUSTEE
DOUGLAS M. CHANDLER**

May 1990

Selectmen's Report

The past year has been a year in which the Selectmen, School Committees, Planning Board and numerous others have spent much of their time looking into the future in an attempt to get a handle on tomorrow's challenges instead of letting them become tomorrow's crises.

Solid waste and how we handle it is one of our most urgent problems. The cost of disposal is increasing at an alarming rate. Ashfield's "ace-in-the-hole" is that our recycling efforts of the past have, and are continuing, to keep our refuse tonnage low in comparison to our population. This alone saves Ashfield thousands of increasingly scarce dollars each year. The coming year will undoubtedly force us to make changes in how we manage our dump. We ask all of you to continue to work with the attendant in an effort to effectively dispose of our refuse.

Damage repairs from the April '87 flood has been, for the most part, completed except for locations where huge box culverts must be installed. These culverts have been purchased and will be installed this summer along with replacement of the Creamery Road bridge. Little work was done last year on the S.T.R.A.P. project on Baptist Corner Road due to so many flood-related projects in need of completion. It is our hope that the Baptist Corner Road reconstruction project will be completed by this time next year.

Both the Ashfield-Plainfield and Mohawk Regional School Districts have formed planning committees in order to hammer out a solution to our over-crowded schools. The shadow of less state aid is prompting these decisions to be made quickly and economically.

Our Planning Board is spending a great deal of time and energy on zoning bylaw revision. Such questions will always stir up a certain amount of controversy. The best thing we can do is to inform committee members of what we believe the town needs to protect or encourage. Otherwise, the members will be working in the dark.

Financially, the town, at this point, seems to be rather stable. Aside from paying for the motor grader and a sewer project that never happened, we have no long-term financial obligations. It will be interesting to see how long we will be able to continue with such a favorable situation.

After last year's town meeting vote, the moderator appointed a committee to report on replacement and relocation of the town highway garage. They reported to the selectmen that a favorable location had been found on Baptist Corner Road. The selectmen have in hand a purchase and sale agreement for that location for your approval at town meeting.

Many thanks to all of you who make our job easier and our town run so efficiently.

Thomas S. Carter
Dale A. Kirkpatrick
Robert Robertson

Board of Selectmen

Town Auditor's Report

This is to certify that I have examined the Town of Ashfield's books and the official audit and find them in order.

GEORGE C. MONK
Town Auditor

Financial Statement Fiscal 1988

July 1, 1987 - June 30, 1988

AMBULANCE FUND

Balance Forward, 7/1/87		\$ 3,255.03
Earnings & Gifts		4,207.59
Interest		30.30
Transfer from New Ambulance acc't		<u>3,500.00</u>
		\$ 10,992.92

Ambulance equip. & repair	\$ 682.53
Telephone	802.34
Medical equip.	1,592.70
Supplies	875.95
Insurance	1,220.00
Pagers & equip.	323.75
Uniforms & equip.	175.00
Training & licenses	<u>168.95</u>
	\$ 5,841.22

Ambulance Fund Total \$ 5,151.70

NEW AMBULANCE

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 14,000.00
Wheeled Coach Sales	\$ 14,000.00	

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 11,500.00
Special Mtg., 4/11/88 Transfer		<u>5,000.00</u>
		\$ 16,500.00

Typing & Secretarial	\$ 9,263.05
Advertisements	36.00
Office supplies	173.63
Lister	5,547.84
Registry of Deeds	359.75
Dues	57.00
Travel expenses	60.29
Postage & envelopes	120.90
Computer updates	<u>198.14</u>
	\$ 15,816.60

Unexpended balance to General Fund \$ 683.40

ASSESSORS' REVALUATIONS

Appropriation (\$12,600 - Rev. Sharing)		\$ 30,000.00
Patriot Properties, Inc.	\$ 4,094.25	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 25,905.75

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING

Appropriation		\$ 2,750.00
SCANCO & Assoc.	\$ 2,750.00	

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation		\$ 6,000.00
Belding Memorial Library	\$ 6,000.00	

BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD

Appropriation		\$ 4,500.00
Special Mtg., 4/11/88 Transfer		2,500.00
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		\$ 7,000.00
Expended	\$ 5,331.09	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 1,668.01

BONDS

Appropriation		\$ 650.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		29.00
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		\$ 679.00
Expended	\$ 679.00	

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation		\$ 6,270.00
Expended	\$ 6,270.00	

CARE OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Ashfield Burial Ground Assoc.	\$ 350.00	

CHAPTER 140 - CONSTRUCTION

HAWLEY ROAD

Balance forward		\$ 35,949.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		4.15
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		\$ 35,953.15
Payroll	\$ 3,162.13	
Bricks	46.50	
Basin frame & bar grates	3,240.00	
Hired equip.	2,489.00	
Calcium chloride	1,031.25	
Asphalt	7,828.12	
Stone & gravel	18,103.90	
Traffic duty	52.25	
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	\$ 35,953.15	

**CHAPTER 234 - CONSTRUCTION
SPRUCE CORNER ROAD**

Balance forward		\$ 1,764.04
Culvert	\$ 1,280.40	
Payroll	483.64	
	<u>\$ 1,764.04</u>	

CHAPTER 497 - GENERAL HIGHWAY

Balance forward		\$ 858.77
Appropriation		35,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>.73</u>
		\$ 35,859.50
Payroll	\$ 24,419.28	
Gravel	502.30	
Bituminous concrete	10,172.92	
Hired equip.	765.00	
	<u>\$ 35,859.50</u>	

**CHAPTER 637 - BOND ISSUE
HAWLEY RD. & CREAMERY BRIDGE**

Balance forward		\$ 58,880.00
Engineering-Creamery Bridge	\$ 1,694.00	
Payroll	2,033.90	
Bituminous concrete	1,296.85	
	<u>\$ 5,024.75</u>	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 53,855.25

**CHAPTER 811 - BOND ISSUE - FY '86 & '87
SPRUCE COR., PLAINFIELD & APPLE VALLEY RDS.**

Balance forward		\$ 25,722.43
FY '87 Allotment		<u>50,780.00</u>
		\$ 76,502.43
Payroll	\$ 5,263.35	
Rip-rap	408.45	
Culverts	2,405.68	
Hired equip.	5,293.00	
Lumber	352.70	
Bituminous concrete	29,877.45	
Headwalls	550.11	
Supplies	46.80	
Traprock	1,467.45	
Guard rails	7,892.16	
	<u>\$ 53,557.15</u>	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 22,945.28

**STRAP GRANT
BAPTIST CORNER ROAD**

Grant Award		
(10 year repayment of \$4,500/yr.)		\$150,000.00

Payroll	\$ 1,441.10	
Unexpended balance forward		\$148,558.90
APRIL '87 FLOOD ACCOUNT		
Balance expended in FY '87		\$196,161.95
Payroll	\$ 10,996.25	
Culvert	11,138.90	
Bituminous concrete	5,760.18	
Hired equip.	32,746.50	
Rented equip.	1,387.50	
Asphalt	6,775.56	
Guardrails	5,964.50	
Safety inspections & engineering	4,601.00	
Gravel	9,694.68	
Basins & bar grates	810.00	
Total expended	\$ 89,875.07	\$286,037.02
Reimbursement through FEMA	\$242,872.00	
CIVIL DEFENSE		
Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Mileage	\$ 20.00	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 80.00
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION		
Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Supplies, telephone	\$ 15.50	
Meetings & mileage	50.00	
	\$ 65.50	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 34.50
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Advertisements	\$ 91.98	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 8.02
COUNCIL ON AGING		
Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Special Mtg., 6/29/87		500.00
		\$ 700.00
Shelburne Senior Center	\$ 700.00	
DOG OFFICER EXPENSES		
Appropriation		\$ 150.00
Supplies	\$ 135.42	
Mileage-meeting	10.50	
	\$ 145.92	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 4.08
ELECTIONS		
Appropriation		\$ 700.00

State reimbursement		85.20
		<u>\$ 785.20</u>
Payroll	\$ 426.00	
Voters Lists	100.00	
	<u>\$ 526.00</u>	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 259.20

FIRES & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 8,359.00
Special Mtg., 9/27/87		600.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>163.79</u>
		\$ 9,122.79
Payroll	\$ 2,400.00	
Station phone	576.48	
Fire phone	536.23	
Gasoline	406.00	
Office supplies	73.34	
Insurance	1,080.00	
Radio repairs	375.00	
Supplies	642.77	
Water	13.10	
Tires	342.00	
Dues & training	265.75	
Fire alarm maint.	151.00	
New equip. & repairs	1,661.12	
Tel. Dispatch Service	600.00	
	<u>\$ 9,122.79</u>	

FIRE STATION - WEATHERSTRIPPING

Balance forward		\$ 312.00
Window glazing	\$ 22.26	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 289.74

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Special Mtg., 1/15/88 (Free Cash)		<u>2,500.00</u>
		\$ 5,500.00
Water tests - Ashfield Lake	\$ 216.00	
Witness of percolation tests	1,995.00	
	<u>\$ 2,111.00</u>	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 789.00

HEATING TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$ 3,400.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>212.23</u>
		\$ 3,612.23
Fire Station	\$ 1,990.34	
Town Hall	2,621.89	
	<u>\$ 3,612.23</u>	

HIGHWAY - PAID VACATIONS & HOLIDAYS

Appropriation		\$ 7,282.00
Expended	\$6,482.00	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 800.00

HIGHWAY - SICK LEAVE

Balance forward		\$ 3,132.11
Appropriation		<u>1,983.00</u>
		\$ 5,115.11
Expended	\$ 4,426.53	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 688.58

HIGHWAY DEPT. - GRADER

Appropriation (\$30,630.00 - Overlay)		
Authorized — (\$86,000.00 - Borrow)		
(Borrowed - \$77,650)		\$108,280.00
Graves Equipment	\$108,280.00	

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 23,345.00
Expended	\$23,345.00	

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>6.01</u>
		\$ 206.01
Ashfield Video	\$ 65.00	
Supplies	116.01	
Dues	<u>25.00</u>	
	\$ 206.01	

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Appropriation		\$ 125.00
Thomas Poissant	\$ 125.00	

INSURANCE - PUBLIC OFFICIAL LIABILITY

Appropriation		\$ 3,900.00
Transferred to Office Expenses, 4/11/88		<u>1,000.00</u>
		\$ 2,900.00
Expended	\$ 2,740.00	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 160.00

INSURANCE - TOWN BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 45,195.00
Transferred to other accounts		<u>8,100.00</u>
		\$ 37,095.00
MIIA	\$ 29,431.00	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 7,664.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Interest paid on Grader Loan	\$ 2,500.00	

INTEREST ON SEWER LOANS

Appropriation		\$ 10,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>826.44</u>
		\$ 10,826.44
Expended	\$ 10,826.44	

LIFEGUARD

Appropriation		\$ 3,324.50
Lifeguard	\$ 1,740.08	
Swimming Instruction	419.90	
Advertisements	<u>91.45</u>	
	\$ 2,251.43	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 1,073.07

LAKE - PHASE I STUDY

Appropriation		\$ 22,800.00
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 22,800.00

MACHINERY EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 40,000.00
Parts & repairs	\$ 19,058.60	
Uniforms	421.45	
Mileage	481.58	
Supplies	701.25	
Gas & Oil	11,776.40	
Tires	247.00	
Electricity	694.84	
Telephone	514.93	
Fees	125.00	
Water	15.50	
Roof repairs - garage	120.00	
Lumber	367.64	
Heating	467.81	
Plow drive frame	<u>3,312.62</u>	
	\$ 38,304.62	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 1,695.38

MEDICARE

Appropriation		\$ 750.00
Accounts receivable		715.89
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>286.42</u>
		\$ 1,652.31
Expended	\$ 1,652.31	

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>156.22</u>
		\$ 506.22

Flowers	\$	168.50
Flags & markers		237.72
Band		100.00
	\$	<u>506.22</u>

NURSE & HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation	\$	100.00
Trust Fund Transfer		<u>185.45</u>
	\$	285.45
Visiting Nurse & Health Services	\$	285.45

OFFICE - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Appropriation	\$	18,700.00
Expended	\$	18,700.00

OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$	4,500.00
Transfer from Insurance, 4/11/88		<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$	5,500.00
Dues	\$	342.00
Telephone		325.78
Advertisements		742.57
Photocopy supplies		441.22
Envelopes & postage		495.31
Electrical repair		52.14
Supplies		362.42
Meetings & mileage		461.21
Office equip.		214.67
Annotated Laws		1,239.67
Vital statistics		<u>110.00</u>
	\$	4,786.99
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$	713.01

OFFICE - PART-TIME CLERICAL

Appropriation	\$	2,500.00
Expended	\$	1,607.00
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$	893.00

PARKS & BEACH

Appropriation	\$	2,360.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>601.90</u>
	\$	2,961.90
Electricity	\$	349.51
Trash removal & mowing		816.00
Supplies		617.81
Safety equip.		203.48
Telephone		142.32
Water		140.78
Signs		155.00

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Fencing repair	530.00
Advertising	7.00
	<u>\$ 2,961.90</u>

PARKS - DOCK REPAIR

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 600.00
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PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Advertisements	\$ 514.00	
Postage & envelopes	145.90	
Secretarial	270.12	
Maps	1,300.00	
File cabinet	179.00	
Supplies	29.58	
	<u>\$ 2,438.60</u>	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 661.40

POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 18,000.00
Transferred to Police Account		<u>2,427.00</u>
		\$ 15,573.00
Expended	\$ 15,555.26	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 17.74

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$ 19,000.00
Transfer from Police Chief Salary		2,427.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>118.01</u>
		\$ 21,545.01
Payroll	\$ 5,562.50	
Radios	3,423.59	
Telephone	1,439.81	
Equipment	123.09	
Office supplies	230.41	
Gasoline	2,158.59	
Radar repair	65.00	
Postage	97.31	
Parts & repairs - cruiser	1,415.73	
Supplies	41.69	
Training	450.70	
Insurance	5,058.70	
Uniforms & equip.	1,357.89	
Dues	120.00	
	<u>\$ 21,545.01</u>	

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Expended	\$ 500.00	

RENT OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,302.70
Ashfield Water Company	\$ 1,302.70	

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Bonds	\$ 29.00	
Chapter 140	4.15	
Fires & Equipment	163.79	
General Highway	.73	
Heating Town Buildings	212.23	
Historical Commission	6.01	
Interest - Sewer Loans	826.44	
Memorial Day	156.22	
Parks & Beach	601.90	
Police Dept.	118.01	
Medicare	186.42	
Tax Collector Expense	117.78	
Town Counsel	2,531.65	
Town Hall	37.09	
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	\$ 4,991.42	
Unexpended balance to Overlay Surplus		\$ 8.58

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Appropriation		\$ 28,709.00
Expended	\$ 28,709.00	

ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$284,963.95
Assessment reduction		<u>- 85,540.11</u>
		\$199,423.84
Expended	\$199,423.84	

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$311,312.44
Expended	\$311,312.44	

STABILIZATION FUND

Appropriation		\$ 40,000.00
Balance in Stabilization at 6/30/88		\$ 55,000.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Expended	\$ 3,831.68	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 1,168.32

STREET LIGHTS & SCHOOL CENSUS

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Accounts Receivable		<u>250.00</u>
		\$ 600.00

Data collection	\$ 446.40
Computer service	<u>150.00</u>
	\$ 596.40
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 3.60

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 2,138.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		<u>117.78</u>
		\$ 2,255.78
Office equip.	\$ 161.87	
Dues	35.00	
Envelopes & postage	831.24	
Tax bills	1,148.47	
Supplies	16.40	
Printed forms	<u>62.80</u>	
	\$ 2,255.78	

TAX MAPPING

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 1,000.00
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TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 750.00
Dues	\$ 28.00	
Telephone	414.49	
Supplies	<u>14.80</u>	
	\$ 457.29	
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 292.71	

TOWN COUNSEL

Appropriation		\$ 4,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		<u>2,531.65</u>
		\$ 6,531.65
Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, et al	\$ 6,531.65	

TOWN HALL - HANDICAP ACCESS

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 2,000.00
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TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		<u>37.09</u>
		\$ 2,537.09
Electricity	\$ 1,005.37	
Supplies	186.64	
Fire control service	77.50	
Water	152.08	
Wiring & furnace service	62.50	
Janitor	<u>1,053.00</u>	
	\$ 2,537.09	

TOWN HALL - PAINTING & RESTORATION

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 1,000.00
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TOWN HALL - RENOVATION

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 4,000.00
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TOWN HALL - STRUCTURAL REPAIR & PAINTING

Balance forward		\$ 2,949.32
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Appropriation		<u>3,000.00</u>
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		\$ 5,949.32
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North Star Painting - Tower	\$ 4,022.00	
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Unexpended balance forward		\$ 1,927.32
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TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		\$ 13,850.00
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Expended	\$ 13,850.00	
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TOWN REPORTS & BALLOTS

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
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Lamb Printing - Town Reports	\$ 1,873.00	
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Delivery by Girl Scouts	50.00	
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Ballots	<u>130.00</u>	
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	\$ 2,053.00	
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Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 447.00
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TRANSFER STATION

Appropriation		\$ 50,000.00
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Payroll	\$ 6,014.47	
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Electricity	324.15	
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Telephone	186.74	
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Hauling & rental of equip.	17,220.00	
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Landfill disposal	13,408.83	
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Recycling	1,904.00	
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Land rent	716.78	
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Hired equip.	900.00	
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Wood for heating	75.00	
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Misc. supplies	433.40	
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Legal fees	200.00	
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Brush dump costs	<u>5,447.51</u>	
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	\$ 46,830.88	
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Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 3,169.12
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TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
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Computer service	\$ 325.00	
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Postage & envelopes	531.90	
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Filing fees	60.00	
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Checks	18.72	
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Printed forms	<u>25.00</u>	
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	\$ 960.62	
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Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 39.38
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TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		\$ 2,800.00
Payroll	\$ 1,602.00	
Hired equip.	698.75	
Supplies	90.00	
Trees	200.00	
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	\$ 2,590.75	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 209.25

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Appropriation	\$ 500.00
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 500.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Expended	\$ 63.45
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 36.55

VETERANS' CENTER

Appropriation	\$ 2,893.35
Western Franklin Veterans' Center	\$ 2,893.35

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	\$ 55,000.00
Payroll	\$ 27,721.30
Sand	14,862.26
Salt	8,073.25
TREW	38.47
Safety equip.	2,987.18
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	\$ 53,682.46
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 1,317.54

WIRING & PLUMBING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation	\$ 4,523.00
Expended	\$ 4,523.00

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation	\$ 10,000.00
Expended	\$ 8,510.00
Unexpended balance to General Fund	\$ 1,490.00

ASHFIELD COMMUNITY SEPTIC SYSTEM & SEWERS

Fund balance, 7/1/87	\$ 51,334.39
Legal fees	\$ 1,060.00
Fund balance, 6/30/88	\$ 50,274.39

SEWER DESIGN REPORT

Appropriation (Free Cash)	\$ 2,100.00
Expended	\$ 2,100.00

SEWER FEASIBILITY STUDY - WEST END OF LAKE

Unexpended balance forward

\$ 4,500.00

**Town of Ashfield
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1988****ASSETS****Cash:**

General	\$ 636,554.65	
Ambulance	5,151.70	
Sewer Fund	37,934.46	\$ 679,640.81

Accounts Receivable:**Real Estate Taxes:**

Levy of 1976-1981	\$ 904.12	
Levy of 1982	111.78	
Levy of 1983	605.85	
Levy of 1984	830.75	
Levy of 1985	1,087.65	
Levy of 1986	1,041.41	
Levy of 1987	2,417.83	
Levy of 1988	\$ 32,495.86	\$ 39,495.25

Personal Property Taxes:

Levy of 1974-1981	\$ 928.06	
Levy of 1982	8.59	
Levy of 1983	72.64	
Levy of 1984	89.30	
Levy of 1985	29.40	
Levy of 1986	61.14	
Levy of 1987	282.89	
Levy of 1988	\$ 2,614.94	\$ 4,086.96

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1973-1981	\$ 3,389.96	
Levy of 1982	325.42	
Levy of 1983	521.09	
Levy of 1984	1,046.67	
Levy of 1985	1,036.06	
Levy of 1986	1,846.85	
Levy of 1987	6,887.27	
Levy of 1988	\$ 25,089.01	\$ 40,142.33

State Aid to Highway

\$ 58,681.00

Federal Grant Receivables:

FEMA Flood Grant	\$ 147,569.00	
Sewer Project	\$ 777,823.00	\$ 925,392.00
State Grant Receivables:		
FEMA Flood Grant	\$ 10,283.00	
Sewer Project	\$ 127,211.00	\$ 137,494.00
County Dog		\$ 450.00
Loans Authorized		\$ 588,350.00
Due From Frederick Cross		
Trust Fund		\$ 7,553.33
Belding Endowment Trust Fund		\$ 428.22
Flood Damage Grant Account		\$ 42,719.76
TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,524,433.66

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Withholding Taxes Payable		(\$475.23)
Temporary Notes:		
Anticipation of Grant		\$ 200,000.00
State Assessment - County Tax		88.00
Overlays:		
1974-1983	\$ 2,628.19	
1984	920.05	
1985	1,117.05	
1986	1,102.55	
1987	2,700.72	
1988	26,188.31	\$ 34,656.87
Revenues Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 40,142.33	
State Aid to Highway	58,681.00	
Sewer Grant Revenue	705,034.00	
FEMA Flood Grant Revenue	157,852.00	\$ 961,709.33
Unexpended Balances:		
Ambulance Fund	\$ 5,151.70	
Park Funds	430.09	
Fourth of July Fund	(6.69)	
Steeple Fund	3,073.93	
Town Hall Restoration Fund	190.00	
Council on Aging Grant	763.85	
Collector's Costs	9.00	
Arts Council Grant	678.00	
Chapter 811 Grant	22,945.28	
Chapter 637 Grant	53,855.25	
Strap Grant	148,558.90	
Belding Library Video Grant	(682.06)	
Insurance Claim Reimburs.-		
Boilers	9,400.00	
Dog Refund	796.99	
Road Machinery Fund	1,421.04	
State Aid to Library	(1,250.00)	
School Energy Grant	545.02	

Division of Water Pollution Control	\$ 13,111.00	\$ 258,991.30
Loans Authorized and Unissued		\$ 588,350.00
Sewer Project Balance		\$ 37,934.46
Appropriation Balances		\$ 65,876.39
Surplus Revenue		\$ 377,302.54
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		<u><u>\$2,524,433.66</u></u>

THOMAS J. SCANLON
Public Accountant

Tax Collector's Report

July 1, 1987 - June 30, 1988

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1974		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 808.23
Abatements	\$ 592.08	
Outstanding 6-30-88	216.15	
	<u>\$ 808.23</u>	<u>\$ 808.23</u>
1975		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,041.98
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 29.97	
Abatements	411.13	
Outstanding 6-30-88	600.88	
	<u>\$ 1,041.98</u>	<u>\$ 1,041.98</u>
1976		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,648.67
Abatements	\$ 572.01	
Outstanding 6-30-88	1,076.66	
	<u>\$ 1,648.67</u>	<u>\$ 1,648.67</u>
1977		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 609.86
Abatements	\$ 374.46	
Outstanding 6-30-88	235.40	
	<u>\$ 609.86</u>	<u>\$ 609.86</u>

1978		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 2,192.41
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 4.40	
Abatements	1,917.40	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>270.61</u>	
	\$ 2,192.41	\$ 2,192.41
1979		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,563.13
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 19.80	
Abatements	1,018.90	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>524.43</u>	
	\$ 1,563.13	\$ 1,563.13
1980		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,362.43
Abatements	\$ 916.10	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>446.33</u>	
	\$ 1,362.43	\$ 1,362.43
1981		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 183.15
Abatements	163.65	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>19.50</u>	
	\$ 183.15	\$ 183.15
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 378.38
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 2.00	
Abatements	50.96	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>325.42</u>	
	\$ 378.38	\$ 378.38
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 563.49
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 10.82	
Abatements	31.58	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>521.09</u>	
	\$ 563.49	\$ 563.49
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,028.85
Audit Adjustment		44.18
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 26.36	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>1,046.67</u>	
	\$ 1,073.03	\$ 1,073.03

1985		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,150.29
Audit Adjustment		(90.48)
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 23.75	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>1,036.06</u>	
	\$ 1,059.81	\$ 1,059.81

1986		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 2,666.29
Audit Adjustment		432.11
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 1,231.55	
Abatement	20.00	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>1,864.85</u>	
	\$ 3,098.40	\$ 3,098.40

1987		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 2,472.28
Commitment		37,745.00
Refund		712.35
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 31,066.45	
Abatements	2,975.91	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>6,887.27</u>	
	\$ 40,929.63	\$ 40,929.63

1988		
Commitment		\$ 58,584.43
Refunds		287.50
Payments to Treasurer	\$ 32,590.83	
Abatements	1,192.09	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>25,089.01</u>	
	\$ 58,871.93	\$ 58,871.93

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1974		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 57.38
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>\$ 57.38</u>	
	\$ 57.38	\$ 57.38

1975		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 126.24
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>\$ 126.24</u>	
	\$ 126.24	\$ 126.24

1976		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 372.72
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>\$ 372.72</u>	
	\$ 372.72	\$ 372.72

1977		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 57.19
Audit Adjustment		2.85
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 60.04	
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	\$ 60.04	\$ 60.04
1978		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 63.82
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 63.82	
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	\$ 63.82	\$ 63.82
1979		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 206.09
Audit Adjustment		.76
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 206.85	
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	\$ 206.85	\$ 206.85
1980		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 36.46
Audit Adjustment	\$ (.76)	
Outstanding 6-30-88	35.70	
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	\$ 36.46	\$ 36.46
1981		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 5.31
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 5.31	
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	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.31
1982		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 33.16
Audit Adjustment		2.05
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 26.62	
Outstanding 6-30-88	8.59	
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	\$ 35.21	\$ 35.21
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 72.64
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 72.64	
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	\$ 72.64	\$ 72.64
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 91.84
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 2.54	
Outstanding 6-30-88	89.30	
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	\$ 91.84	\$ 91.84
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 40.49
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 11.09	

Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>29.40</u>	
	\$ 40.49	\$ 40.49
1986		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 26.46
Audit Adjustment		155.65
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 120.97	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>61.14</u>	
	\$ 182.11	\$ 182.11
1987		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 749.61
Audit Adjustment		35.57
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 502.29	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>282.89</u>	
	\$ 785.18	\$ 785.18
1988		
Commitment		\$ 45,698.95
Refunds		117.62
Payments to Treasurer	\$ 43,115.20	
Abatements	86.43	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>2,614.94</u>	
	\$ 45,816.57	\$ 45,816.57

REAL ESTATE

1976		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 20.56
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 20.56	
	\$ 20.56	\$ 20.56
1979		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 36.52
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 36.52	
	\$ 36.52	\$ 36.52
1980		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 329.80
Audit Adjustment	\$ (.50)	
Outstanding 6-30-88	<u>329.30</u>	
	\$ 329.80	\$ 329.80
1981		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 517.74
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 517.74	
	\$ 517.74	\$ 517.74

1982		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 111.78
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 111.78	<u>\$ 111.78</u>
	\$ 111.78	\$ 111.78
1983		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 605.85
Outstanding 6-30-88	\$ 605.85	<u>\$ 605.85</u>
	\$ 605.85	\$ 605.85
1984		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 930.75
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 100.00	
Outstanding 6-30-88	830.75	<u></u>
	\$ 930.75	\$ 930.75
1985		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 1,920.22
Audit Adjustment		200.00
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 931.77	
Abatements	100.80	
Outstanding 6-30-88	1,087.65	<u></u>
	\$ 2,120.22	\$ 2,120.22
1986		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 10,638.40
Audit Adjustment	\$ (340.24)	
Payment to Treasurer	9,256.75	
Outstanding 6-30-88	1,041.41	<u></u>
	\$ 10,638.40	\$ 10,638.40
1987		
Outstanding 6-30-87		\$ 28,662.52
Refunds		81.56
Payments to Treasurer	\$ 26,326.25	
Outstanding 6-30-88	2,417.83	<u></u>
	\$ 28,774.08	\$ 28,774.08
1988		
Commitment		\$768,590.96
Refunds		2,108.49
Payments to Treasurer	\$733,922.47	
Abatements	4,281.12	
Outstanding 6-30-88	32,495.86	<u></u>
	\$770,699.45	\$770,699.45

CLASSIFIED FOREST LAND

1986

Outstanding 6-30-87

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 5.17

\$ 5.17

\$ 5.17

\$ 5.17

1987

Outstanding 6-30-87

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 4.11

\$ 4.11

\$ 4.11

\$ 4.11

1988

Commitment

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 485.58

\$ 485.58

\$ 485.58

\$ 485.58

FOREST PRODUCTS

1984

Outstanding 6-30-87

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 20.00

\$ 20.00

\$ 20.00

\$ 20.00

1986

Commitment

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 835.25

\$ 835.25

\$ 835.25

\$ 835.25

FARM EXCISE

1987

Commitment

Payment to Treasurer

\$ 5,308.60

\$ 5,308.60

\$ 5,308.60

\$ 5,308.60

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS — January 1, 1988 - December 30, 1988

BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
18	Mary May Pratt	Johanna Andersen-Pratt & Robert Pratt, Jr.
29	Aaron James Pollen	Sheila Graves-Pollen & Jeffrey Pollen
FEBRUARY		
3	Lynette Nadine Desmarais	Donna (Pulowski) & Normand Desmarais
19	Barrett Guy Martin	Beth (Burrows) & Edgar Martin, II
20	Rachel Eliza Wenner	Ann (Ingellis) & Dale Wenner
APRIL		
6	Hannah Lucile Smith Jerah Ashkin Smith	Nancy (Ashkin) & Andrew Smith
23	Anna Helen Dembek	Catherine (Stankus) & David Dembek
MAY		
5	Madeline Freeman Leue	Helene (Goodman) & Mark Leue
14	Bryce Oren Lapointe	Debra (Fontanella) & Robert Lapointe
27	Ethan Ferris Geiling	Jean Ferris & Herbert Geiling
29	Peter Douglas Keck	Alison (Odell) & Russell Keck
JULY		
6	Margaret Jean Lilly	Shirley (Miller) & Allen Lilly
31	Elizabeth Alice Schreiber	Shirley (Sweet) & Thomas Schreiber
AUGUST		
5	Philip Francis Nolan, IV	Janet Stevens-Nolan & Philip Nolan, III
12	William Moses Elwell	Donna (Cranmore) & William Elwell

22	Jade Lily Barry	Christine (Blizard) & Steven Barry
31	Quentin Kremser Reynolds	Sandra (Kremser) & Daniel Reynolds

SEPTEMBER

13	Caitlin Elyse Mathers	Bernadette (Danylieko) & George Mathers
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OCTOBER

17	Danielle Cathrine Emrick	Judith (Peterson) & Russell Emrick
25	Patrick James White	Sylvia Padlog & Robert White
27	Ian Fletcher Lynch	Lindsey Fletcher-Lynch & Roger Lynch

NOVEMBER

23	Kyle Patrick Meservey	Julia (Ryan) & Warren Meservey
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MARRIAGES

Date	Names & Residences	Place of Marriage
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JANUARY

9	Ramon R. Sears, Ashfield Andrea R. Inham, Ashfield	Ashfield
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MAY

29	David A. Church, Ashfield Ria T. Church, Ashfield	Ashfield
29	Robert J. Habersaat, Ashfield Barbara L. Wallace, Ashfield	Goshen

AUGUST

13	Jeffrey R. Oakes, Ashfield Melissa Anne Ingham, Ashfield	Ashfield
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SEPTEMBER

10	Roger E. Howes, Ashfield Janice I. Roberts, Ashfield	Ashfield
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OCTOBER

15	John Casey Green, Northboro Jacqueline R. Tatro, Ashfield	Ashfield
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DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
JANUARY			
4	James L. Colson	Ashfield	79
FEBRUARY			
6	Muriel Ella Culver	Northampton	81
APRIL			
18	Mildred C. Reniff	Deerfield	84
MAY			
19	Raymond Anderson	Greenfield	92
JUNE			
14	Micheline Dufau	Springfield	61
JULY			
26	Virginia Hall Rich	Greenfield	83
30	Lillian C. Warger	Montague	80
OCTOBER			
12	Clarence S. Hall	Conway	80
14	Henry G. Clarke	Ashfield	83

(Any errors or omissions in the foregoing should be reported to the Town Clerk)

ELECTIONS

Primary, March 8, 1988	Votes Cast - 359	Reg. Voters - 986
Annual Mtg., May 7, 1988	Votes Cast - 408	Reg. Voters - 997
Election, November 8, 1988	Votes Cast - 922	Reg. Voters - 1058

DOG LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1988 - December 31, 1988

72	Males @ 3.00	\$ 216.00
6	Females @ 6.00	36.00
87	Spayed females @ 3.00	261.00
6	Kennel (4) @ 10.00	60.00
1	Kennel (10) @ 25.00	25.00
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		\$ 598.00
	Fees retained	- 129.00
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	Paid to Treasurer	\$ 469.00

FISH & GAME LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1988 - December 31, 1988

56	Res. Fishing @ 12.50	\$ 575.00
1	Res. Fishing Minor @ 6.50	6.50
1	Res. Fishing 65-69 @ 6.25	6.25
1	Res. Fishing Paraplegic	Free
3	Non-res. Fishing @ 17.50	52.50
1	Non-res. 7-day Fishing @ 11.50	11.50
2	Res. Trapping @ 20.50	41.00
1	Res. Trapping Minor @ 8.50	8.50
23	Res. Hunting @ 12.50	287.50
2	Res. Hunting 65-69 @ 6.25	12.50
1	Res. Hunting Paraplegic	Free
3	Non-res. Hunting @ 48.50	145.50
29	Res. Sporting @ 19.50	565.50
5	Res. Sporting 65-69 @ 9.75	48.75
27	Res. Sporting Over 70	Free
1	Duplicate Hunting	2.00
1	Duplicate Sporting	2.00
20	Archery/Prim. Firearms Stamps @ 5.10	102.00
5	Mass. Waterfowl Stamps @ 1.25	6.25
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	Fees retained	\$1,873.25
		- 61.75
	Paid to Treasurer	<hr/>
		\$1,811.50

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor M. Ward, Town Clerk

Ashfield Burial Ground Association Burials

January 1, 1988 - December 31, 1988

Supplemental to Town Clerk's Report

	Date of Death	Age
Plain Cemetery		
Muriel E. Culver	2/6/88	81
Esther L. Benjamin	2/14/88	81
Emerson L. Conzelman	3/9/88	86
Mildred C. Reniff	4/18/88	84
Carol A. Moscato	2/18/88	47
Raymond A. Anderson	5/19/88	92
Richard W. Luce	5/27/88	69
Mary E. Dyer	7/18/88	84
Virginia H. Rich	7/26/88	83
Eugenie H. Currie	8/5/88	93
Clarence S. Hall	10/12/88	80
Margaret M. Thomas	10/17/88	81
Jeanne M. Bassett	10/21/88	93
Isabelle J. Anderson	12/3/88	85
Robert F. Guilford	12/11/88	68

GEORGE F. BICKFORD
Burial Agent

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Year Ending June 30, 1988

Balance of Cash at July 1, 1987	\$578,890.97
Cash Received	1,826,218.10
Cash Disbursements	1,468,287.56
Balance of Cash at June 30, 1988	936,821.51

Balance consists of:

United Savings Bank:

General Fund	97,179.83
General Fund	840.79
Ambulance Fund	5,151.70
STRAP Fund	155,067.56
Stabilization Fund	57,037.83
Fred Cross-General Fund	63,131.62
Fred Cross-Library	5,000.00
Fred Cross-Cemetery	2,000.00
Trust Funds	84,746.59
Cemetery Funds	1,311.26

M.M.D.T.:

General Fund	343,468.24
Highway Fund-Chapter 811	29,198.81
Energy Grant	888.32

Heritage Savings Bank:

Eliza Miller Acct.	10,685.29
Salmon Miller Acct.	21,056.91

Bay Bank:

General Fund	9,911.10
Sewer Account	37,934.46

Shawmut Bank:

Milo Belding Jr. Endow. - Park/Library	12,211.20
	\$936,821.51

Presentation of Cash:

General Fund:	\$636,554.65
Ambulance Fund:	5,151.70
Sewer Fund	37,934.46
Stabilization Fund:	57,037.83
Trust Funds:	200,142.87
Total:	\$936,821.51

Report of the Fire Department

This year the Fire Department has started to upgrade all of the radios. It will take 3 or 4 years to get them all changed. We have had a very busy year but with little damage to property.

The Firemen's Association has always donated their time raising funds to help out the fire department and the townspeople. The following is a list of donations to the town this year: pager, chimney cleaner, skull saver, litter bags, CB radio for the fire station, remodeled the emergency kit, helped pay for dry hydrant put in at Kelley's pond, paid for little league and pee wee insurance — a total of \$2,464.00.

We are looking forward to next year; growing with the town and trying to meet the needs of the town as it grows. The assessed valuation of property involved in fire calls during the year was \$287,080. Property losses totaled \$8,000 and total covered by insurance was \$4,000.

Following are the Fire Calls for 1988:

JANUARY:

Chimney fires	4
Auto accident	1
Power lines down	2
Medical emergency	1

FEBRUARY:

Chimney fires	3
Mutual Aid	2

MARCH:

Chimney fires	2
Auto accident	1

APRIL:

Chimney fire	1
Auto accident	1
Brush fire	1

MAY:

Brush fire	1
Auto accident	1
Structure fire	1

JULY:

Power lines down	2
Auto accidents	2
Forest fire	1
Furnace malfunction	1

AUGUST:

Car fire	1
Structure fire	1
Search/Rescue	1
False alarm	1

SEPTEMBER:

False alarm	1
Gas spill	1

OCTOBER:

Structure fires	2
Mutual Aid	1

NOVEMBER:

Power lines down	2
Search (Suspect)	1
Chimney fire	1
False alarm	1
Structure fire	1

JUNE:

Auto accidents	2
Mutual aid	1
Gas spill	1
Tree fire	1
Power lines down	1
False alarm	1

DECEMBER:

Chimney fires	3
Search (lost hunter)	1
Mutual aid	1
Auto accident	1
Power lines down	1

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS M. FIELD
Fire Chief

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

During the past fiscal year we were called upon to provide veterans' benefits and services to ten (10) veterans and their families. The money was used to provide aid as follows:

Ordinary Benefits	\$11,922.30	Doctors	\$267.00
Nursing/Rest Homes	2,680.75	Hospitals	7,675.73
Medication	716.70	Dentists	588.50
Fuel	800.38	Miscellaneous	99.00

Total \$24,750.36

The towns which provided this aid will be reimbursed 75% by the State and are as follows:

Ashfield	\$169.20	Colrain	\$1,238.13
Buckland	7,599.05	Conway	3,636.00
Charlemont	1,019.25	Monroe	2,497.60
		Shelburne	8,591.13

Total \$24,750.36

Twenty-one (21) veterans passed away during this year and the Service Center assisted the survivors with their VA claims for Burial Benefits, Grave Markers, Pensions and Compensation to which they are legally entitled.

Some of the many on-going services to veterans are — preparation of Tax Abatement Forms for veterans with service-connected disabilities, help to complete all Veterans Administration claim forms and provide assistance to all veterans and their dependents in connection with their claims under Federal Programs.

Three meetings were held this year with various representatives of the ten town district to discuss the overall program.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE E. BALAZS
Director/Veterans' Agent

Western Franklin Veterans' Center Financial Report

Balance 7/1/87 Bank of Boston	\$ 215.46
Balance 7/1/87 M.M.D.T.	4,541.50

	B.O.B.	M.M.D.T.	
Town of Ashfield	\$ 1,446.67	\$ 1,446.67	
Town of Buckland	2,700.46		
Town of Charlemont	868.01	868.00	
Town of Colrain	1,253.79	1,253.78	
Town of Conway	2,314.68		
Town of Hawley	771.56		
Town of Heath	868.00	868.01	
Town of Monroe	578.67		
Town of Plainfield	964.45		
Town of Shelburne	1,544.00	1,542.24	
Flags & Markers	1,788.37		
Interest from M.M.D.T.		407.09	
Federal Withholdings	1,698.00		
State Withholdings	612.72		
Retirement	649.92		
Medicare	189.60		
Transfer from M.M.D.T.	6,000.00		
	<u>\$24,248.90</u>	<u>\$ 6,385.79</u>	<u>\$30,634.69</u>
			\$35,391.65

Eugene E. Balazs	\$13,000.08
Lisa Bardwell, Treasurer	350.00
Town of Shelburne, Rent	1,800.00
Phone and Office Supplies	559.63
Directors Expense	557.15
Flags & Markers	1,840.27
Retirement Assessment	2,475.00
Treasurer's Bond	50.00

Miscellaneous Expenses	83.34		
Internal Revenue Services	1,698.00		
Commonwealth of Mass.	612.72		
Franklin County Retirement	649.92		
I.R.S. - Medicare	189.60		
Transfers to Bank of Boston		6,000.00	
	<u>\$23,865.71</u>	<u>\$ 6,000.00</u>	<u>\$29,865.71</u>
Balance 6/30/88 Bank of Boston			\$ 577.35
Balance 6/30/88 M.M.D.T.			<u>4,948.59</u>
			<u>\$35,391.65</u>

LISA BARDWELL, Treasurer

Annual Report of the Fred W. Wells Trustees

Funds available for the fiscal year 1988-1989 were \$139,817.50, which were allocated to three specific areas: Education, Health, and Agriculture.

Education — The Trustees received 222 applications for Education grants and approved 141 students to receive \$103,000. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to ensure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid.

Health — Five (5) Health programs were proposed and approved. Funds were paid to Mohawk Valley Medical Center, Visiting Nurse Association, Hospice Program to assist with an increased patient load for terminally ill, Western Mass. Food Bank and NELCWIT. These programs received a total of \$30,000.

Agriculture — Prizes for Agricultural accomplishments were awarded through the Franklin County Fair. Awards this year were \$4,656.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER
Trustee

Report of the Board of Appeals

During 1988, two matters came before the Board. The first was a request for a variance from the side-line setback requirements of the Zoning By-laws. After a hearing, the variance was granted with conditions. The second matter was an appeal from a decision of the Building Commissioner denying a building permit. After a well-attended public hearing and long hours of consideration and deliberation, the Board unanimously voted to uphold the decision of the Building Commissioner. This decision of the Board has been appealed to Superior Court which is expected to hear and rule on the appeal during 1989.

An ad-hoc committee was formed during 1988 for the purpose of reviewing the current Zoning By-laws and recommending revisions, if any. This committee is a sub-committee of the Planning Board who has the primary responsibility for recommending zoning by-law changes to the Board of Selectmen. The Chairman of the Board of Appeals has been appointed to this committee and has been elected the vice-Chairman of it. This cooperation between boards is another indication of how the various town boards in Ashfield work together for the benefit of the entire town.

The Board of Appeals has submitted its first budget request. This budget would be used to buy stationery, pay for public hearing advertisements, pay for the postage for hearing and decision notices, and for secretarial help. Currently, all secretarial work for the Board is performed by Eleanor Ward on a voluntary, unpaid basis. This work is of tremendous value to the Board and her efforts are appreciated enormously. However, it is unreasonable to expect volunteer work of this nature to continue indefinitely. If new zoning by-laws are enacted the work of the Planning Board and this Board is likely to increase. This budget request would contribute towards a shared secretary for these two boards, and perhaps others.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. McNIFF, **Chairman**
RALPH E. TOWNSLEY, **Secretary**
CLAYTON C. CRAFTS
WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, **Associate**
KENNETH A. LILLY, **Associate**

Report of the Zoning By-Law Review Committee

In the Fall of 1988 this committee was appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board for the purpose of reviewing the current zoning by-laws, and recommending possible revisions, if any. The committee consists of two members of the Planning Board, a member of the Board of Appeals, a member of the Park Commission, a member of the Long-Range Planning Committee and two citizens with a long history of community service.

Several towns in Franklin County have recently reviewed and revised their zoning by-laws in order to update them and to prepare the towns to meet the pressures of development in an orderly fashion. Ashfield last reviewed its by-laws in the late seventies. If and when any revisions are recommended, public hearings will be held by the Planning Board before they are submitted to the Board of Selectmen and placed on the warrant for a Town Meeting. To be implemented, a two-thirds vote at a town meeting is required. The committee intends to meet twice a month until its work is finished. It is expected that the process will be completed in 1990. The committee invites all citizens to attend its meetings to express their views on the future of Ashfield.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART EISENBERG, Chairman
JACK McNIFF, Vice-Chairman & Clerk
MARY FITZ-GIBBON
RAY CASSIDY
KEN RILLINGS
M. DIANE MULLER
PHYLLIS KIRKPATRICK

Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program

Annual Report — Fiscal Year 1988

Fiscal Year 1988 was once again a busy year for the member towns of the F.C.C.B.I.P. The total number of permits issued by this office rose from 803 in F.Y. '87 to 874 in F.Y. '88. 245 dwelling units were constructed in F.Y. '88 compared to 224 units in F.Y. '87. There is still no indication of a slow-down.

We continue to work hard in the office to handle the increased activity with as little delay and expense to the taxpayer as is possible. It is our objective to enforce the Building Code and zoning bylaws fairly and consistently throughout the member towns. However, we are human and mistakes will be made.

Unfortunately, the process of applying for a building permit is becoming more complex. Greater demands are being placed upon this office to properly enforce not only the Building Code and zoning bylaws, but also to prevent any violations of the Wetlands Protection Act, the State Sanitary Code, Flood Plain Regulations, etc., which may take place in association with activities allowed by a building permit issued by this office. As a result, we find ourselves asking building permit applicants to submit more information in greater detail to this office with their permit applications. I sincerely hope that the process will not become too much more complicated.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation during the 7½ years that I have served as Building Commissioner for the F.C.C.B.I.P. It was a privilege to get to know and serve you.

Sincerely,

STEVEN A. JUDGE
Building Commissioner

F.C.C.B.I.P.

FISCAL YEAR REPORT FROM JULY 1, 1987 to JUNE 30, 1988

Town	Permits	Value	Dwelling Units**	Permit Fees	Certif. of Occ. Inspec.	Certif. of Inspec. Issued*	C.I. Fees	Total Fees Collected
Ashfield	88	\$ 2,146,603	23	\$ 8,067	15	8	\$ 60	\$ 8,127
Barnardston	89	2,131,901	15	7,894	21	17	280	8,174
Buckland	77	1,757,076	13	6,439	16	4	40	6,479
Charlemonst	72	1,525,045	19	6,733	13	17	280	7,013
Conway	71	2,080,275	20	8,613	27	8	205	8,818
Erving	49	1,872,580	27	7,718	13	9	160	7,878
Gill	95	4,222,585	34	17,189	14	23	1,288	18,477
Goshen (2 mo.)	10	226,520	1	933	1	2	180	1,113
Hawley	13	195,080	3	524	0	5	45	569
Heath	40	1,119,840	15	4,587	3	3	0	4,587
Leverett	83	2,230,660	21	9,311	18	2	40	9,341
Leyden	23	696,410	7	2,855	3	4	0	2,855
Monroe	5	60,720	1	286	0	1	0	286
Shelburne	76	1,901,449	13	7,908	10	24	475	8,383
Shutesbury	83	3,192,270	33	13,433	27	5	40	13,473
TOTALS	874	\$25,359,014	245	\$102,490	181	131	\$3,093	\$105,573

* These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I. but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

** 2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

Franklin County Cooperative Wiring Inspector Program

Report for Calendar Year 1988

	1988 Fees 1/1-6/30	1988 Permits 1/1-6/30	1988 Fees 7/1-12/31	1988 Permits 7/1-12/31	1988 Total Permits	1988 Total Fees
Ashfield	\$ 1,357.00	32	\$ 1,295.00	34	66	\$ 2,652.00
Barnardston	810.00	22	1,005.00	25	47	1,815.00
Buckland	1,225.00	30	910.00	25	55	2,135.00
Charlemont	565.00	13	1,225.00	26	39	1,790.00
Conway	545.00	15	1,545.00	38	53	2,090.00
Erving	1,117.00	18	845.00	16	34	1,962.00
Heath*	650.00*	16*	1,180.00	35	51	1,830.00
Leverett	945.00	22	1,460.00	36	58	2,405.00
Monroe	25.00	1	25.00	1	2	50.00
Northfield	1,489.00	38	2,230.00	47	85	3,719.00
Shelburne	1,050.00	26	1,348.00	33	59	2,389.00
Wendell	315.00	7	810.00	21	28	1,125.00
Whately	770.00	19	1,206.00	28	47	1,976.00
Totals	\$10,863.00	259	\$15,084.00	365	624	\$25,947.00

* Fee-for-service basis
Became member 7/1/88

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA
Wiring Inspector

Franklin County Cooperative Plumbing & Gas Inspector Program

Report for Calendar Year 1988

	1988 Fees 1/1-6/30	1988 Permits 1/1-6/30	1988 Fees 7/1-12/31	1988 Permits 7/1-12/31	1988 Total Permits	1988 Total Fees
Ashfield	\$ 1,280.00	37	\$ 1,859.00	48	85	\$ 3,139.00
Barnardston	790.00	28	1,059.00	29	57	1,849.00
Buckland	1,260.00	37	870.00	26	63	2,130.00
Charlemont	545.00	13	1,070.00	21	34	1,615.00
Conway	767.00	22	1,690.00	47	69	2,457.00
Erving	858.00	19	635.00	11	30	1,493.00
Hawley	125.00	4	144.00	3	7	269.00
Heath	310.00	8	850.00	15	23	1,160.00
Leverett	990.00	23	1,885.00	53	76	2,875.00
Leyden	465.00	16	560.00	18	34	1,025.00
Monroe*			0.00	0	0	0.00
Shelburne	1,315.00	36	1,295.00	30	66	2,610.00
Wendell	420.00	16	510.00	14	30	930.00
Whately	1,571.00	56	1,050.00	37	93	2,621.00
Totals	\$10,696.00	315	\$13,477.00	352	667	\$24,173.00

* Joined 7/1/88

PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

Board of Assessors

In September of 1986 the triennial revaluation as mandated by state statute was begun by hiring a lister to measure and inspect all buildings in Ashfield.

In October of 1987 the town contracted with Patriot Properties, Inc. of Peabody to do a revaluation of the town. At that time they installed a computer in the assessors' office and the conversion of assessment records was implemented; thus an era of manual record keeping has ended.

The work of the lister has been visually reviewed by the members of the reval team and new evaluations have been determined.

Conversion of old records to a computer has been a time consuming task but hopefully will be a time saver in the years to come.

The tax base for Fiscal 88 was \$53,282,170.00, the tax rate, \$15.28 and the tax levy, \$814,151.06. Fiscal 89 should be completed by the time this report is published.

MALCOLM S. CLARK, **Chairman**
ELISABETH C. NYE
RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Police Department Report

I am pleased and honored to present this, my first report to the Town of Ashfield as Chief of Police.

During 1988 the Ashfield Police Department saw many changes within the department. The police and fire department joined the Franklin County Dispatch Center in September. This dispatching service has proven to be a great asset to the two departments while being more efficient for the citizens. We are glad to be a member. Remember if you need the police for business or an emergency the dispatch number is 772-2133 and they will contact the duty officer.

In September, the department received a federal grant for drug investigation and joined the newly formed Franklin County Drug Task Force.

A police explorer post was started in July for youths age 14 to 20. This program teaches the working of law enforcement. As of this date, the post has 10 members who meet every two weeks on Wednesday night at 7:00 P.M. at the police station.

The seasonal and vacation house check program is still operating and property owners are encouraged to notify the police department of extended absences.

The department is required to have all officers trained yearly in CPR, First Aid, Suicide Prevention and Firearms Training. This training is being done together with other west county towns.

Officer John LaBelle was appointed to Patrol Sergeant in October and Officer Greenman was appointed to Master Patrolman also in October. Both officers have been doing a fine job for our town.

Money turned into the town from the police department.

Money received from motor vehicle citations	\$5,660.00
Pistol Permits	340.00
Firearms Identification Cards	30.00
Insurance Reports	135.00
Total	\$6,165.00

Thanks go to the selectmen and all of the townspeople for their cooperation and support which makes our job easier and makes the department more efficient and better to serve the town.

I want to thank all the members of the department for their enthusiasm, support and cooperation. I am proud to be associated with such a dedicated group of officers. I want to thank fire chief Doug Field, and all the members of the fire department for their cooperation during my first year as Police Chief.

In closing, I thank our residents for letting me serve them as Chief of Police. Our function is "The Badge Means We Care and Protect."

STATISTICS 1988

Assault & Battery	7
Assault & Battery on Police	1
Assault Dangerous Weapon	1
Accidents	58
Accidents-Fatal	1
Alarms	11
Arrests	17
Breaking & Entering	9
Citations-Motor Vehicles	231
Court Hours	72
Domestic Disturbances	17
Investigated Incidents	840
Larcenies	17
Medical Assists	33
Protective Custody	11
Sexual Assault	1
Stolen Motor Vehicles	2
Suicide	1

Summons	25
Vacant House Checks	50
Vandalism	11
Warrants	9

Respectfully submitted,

GARY SIBILIA
Chief of Police

Ambulance Service Report

As always ambulance personnel change. Some resign; some are trained. In spite of a fluid personnel list, we are able to maintain a high quality health service to the Town of Ashfield.

As a volunteer service, we are proud of our response time and our delivery of emergency care. With the new dispatch center in place and functioning so well, we answer off pagers and no one has to remain by the phone. This has been a godsend.

The ambulance had 97 "runs" in 1988. This was an increase of 15 over 1987. Each year, there are more calls for the ambulance. We would like to remain a volunteer service but there is an increasing load on only 20 volunteers. It would lighten our load greatly to add to our EMT & First Responder list.

Our ambulance was a year old in November and is serving us well. The four wheel drive has proven to be well worth the money.

We thank our volunteers for their dedicated service to Ashfield.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS & DIANNE FIELD
Ambulance Directors

Belding Memorial Library

The library was a very visible part of the community during 1988 with programs, events and much needed support from residents. The Friends of the Library promoted several programs during the year beginning in April with a program on bluebirds given by Lillian Files of Tyngsboro.

The library was open 2 extra hours every Monday morning from 10 a.m. to noon in July and August. Programs were held during that time

which included wildlife, games, arts, crafts, music and story hours. They were funded through grants from the Ashfield Arts Council and the Ashfield Scholarship and Community Fund and were sponsored by the Board of Trustees. David Bates, story teller, was in charge of the 2nd annual meeting of the Friends.

During the Fall Festival, the Friends took on the task of the annual book sale which was held in the library basement and also a raffle which was held at the Town Hall.

The Pelham Historical Society's Quabbin exhibit was on display at the library during October. Many viewed the collection of artifacts and photos of the 4 towns that were flooded to make the reservoir. .

A copier was purchased with funds from previous book sales and money donated by the Friends. The video program which began its circulation in March has been a huge success. Over 500 videos were purchased for the program which involves 7 libraries in the area. This new innovation has increased circulation and patron registration.

In December we began a program inviting classes from Sanderson Academy to visit and use the library on a regular basis. These visits are every Wednesday morning.

Our circulation increased immensely in 1988. Circulation for the year was 14,630, an increase of 2,497 over 1987. Juvenile circulation was 4,512, an increase of 562 compared to 1987. Books added to our collection were 328, adult books purchased were 153 plus 74 gifts; 96 juvenile purchased and 5 gifts. New patrons registered were 183.

We thank all those who have shared their collections with us to display at the library. Our appreciation goes to Jessie Bennett who volunteered her help during summer vacation. Mary Lucas has been a dynamo with all the extra help she has given us during the year as well as taking charge of the book sale and the final disposal of all the books which were sold to one dealer.

We appreciate all those who donated books, magazines and materials to the library to Mrs. Markle for her on-going contribution to two memorial funds—we are able to purchase many books that are enjoyed by all through her generosity. We thank all those who donated money during the year and all those who donated to our building fund. Our goal was reached and the trustees were able to put in for another grant for the addition and renovation of the building. With the programs during the year, it is evident that we need more space.

I want to thank the Board of Trustees for their support, Anne Judson and Nadine Smith for all their help, David Diluzio for maintaining the library, my husband and all the patrons whose interest, concern and appreciation of the library make it such a success.

BARBARA V. ZALENSKI
Librarian

Belding Memorial Library

Report of Income and Expenditures

For the Year Ended June 30, 1988

Cash Balance, June 30, 1987	
Operating Funds	\$ -137.47
Reserve Funds	
H-NIS 5191	1,735.28
H-NIS 0249	2,203.39
USB 12831	7,578.30
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	5,743.49
Sara Norton Fund	1,084.41
Hope Packard Fund	1,632.18
Markle Funds	1,176.03
Total	<u>\$21,015.61</u>

INCOME

Town of Ashfield	\$ 6,000.00
State Aid	2,405.75
Contributions	681.69
Other	576.56
Trust Income	
Belding Memorial Trust	4,091.88
Belding Memorial Surplus	416.80
Belding Endowment	187.03
Fred Cross Fund	460.38
Sara Norton Fund	76.38
Alonzo Lilly Fund	366.75
Hope Packard Fund	115.45
Markle Funds	64.63
Reserve Fund Interest	
H-NIS 1110249	156.80
USB 12831	239.47
H-NIS 5191	126.16
Total Income	<u>\$15,965.73</u>

EXPENDITURES

Payroll	\$ 8,271.20
Books and Materials	3,446.88
Utilities	1,978.13
Building Project	2,817.32
Janitorial	1,181.30
Other	1,585.19
Total Expenditures	<u>\$19,280.02</u>

Cash Balance, June 30, 1988	
Operating Funds	\$ -184.66
Reserve Funds	
H-NIS 5191	1,861.44
H-NIS 0249	2,342.04

USB 12831	4,086.80
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	5,678.89
Sara Norton Fund	1,084.41
Hope Packard Fund	1,635.52
Markle Funds	1,351.17
Total	<u>\$17,855.61</u>

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD M. EVANS
Treasurer

Report of the Belding Memorial Library Board of Trustees

For the library, this has been a year of grant applications. Early in 1988, Ashfield was one of five Massachusetts communities selected to receive a federal library building grant under the Library Services and Construction Act, Title II. The grant, for \$48,000.00 will help repair and add to the library, if we are fortunate enough to win the bulk of the required funds from a state grant.

The trustees were grateful to receive from both the Ashfield Arts Lottery Council and the Ashfield Citizen Scholarship and Community Fund Committee; the help of these generous and important local groups enabled the library to put on a weekly, summer-long children's program that proved to be extremely popular.

Librarian Barbara Zalenski and Trustee Mary Lucas, with the cooperation of several teachers, have introduced students from Sanderson Academy to the library and registered them as patrons. As you can determine from our librarian's report, the videocassettes grant which we won last year has produced a sharp increase in the circulation of our film collection. The library was open an additional two hours per week during the summer. There has been a significant increase in both the number of library patrons and the number of books being placed in circulation, and we congratulate our library staff for these evidences of success.

Preparing a 180-page state grant application was how we finished the year. We're grateful to the citizens of our town for supporting our bid to make the library viable into the next century—for appropriating funds, for voting to give us land, and for contributing more than \$12,000 to our fund drive.

The Library Board of Trustees continues to appreciate an active Friends of the Belding Memorial Library. In Sandy Carter's second year as president of Friends, the group has conducted the Festival Jackpot and a booksale during the Ashfield Fall Festival, contributed to the Library Building Fund and toward the purchase of a copying machine for

the library, presented story-teller Davis Bates at its annual meeting, offered a very popular and well attended lecture on bluebirds by ornithologist Lillian Files, formed a monthly reading group, and presented a children's film series. Other programs are being planned.

We grieved when Micheline Dufau died. Diana Bennett succeeded her as secretary and Maurice Isserman was appointed to the board. When Clayton Craft didn't run again after eight years as a library trustee, Mary Lucas was elected. With the other members of the board, our newest trustees have worked hard this year to move the library toward what we hope will be a rich and rewarding future.

NOAH GORDON, **Chairman**
DIANA N. BENNETT, **Secretary**
RICHARD M. EVANS, **Treasurer**
MAURICE ISSERMAN
MARY S. LUCAS

Board of Health

It was a most eventful year for the fledgling Board of Health. In 1988 we received a record 73 applications for percolation tests and a record 55 applications for disposal works construction permits, of which 52 were finally approved. We issued 10 licenses for disposal works installers and 2 for septage handlers. We responded to hundreds of inquiries on health matters, and we dealt with complaints regarding rental housing, private and public water quality, failed septic systems, improper septic system installations, bathing beaches, retail food preparation, and improper trash disposal. We issued orders for noncompliance with Title 5 of the State Environmental Code and suspended a common victualler's license. We monitored lead poisoning prevention screenings and assisted with influenza vaccination.

In 1988 we passed the first of a series of local regulations to protect our water supplies and began work on proposed local regulations to assure the adequacy of individual septic systems upon transfers of property. We signed an agreement with the town of Hawley to share the use of our transfer station. We acted upon a controversial subdivision application and continue to work for environmental protection in that area.

With the defeat of the Proposition 2½ exemption on sewer construction at last year's town meeting, the Board took an active role in the 20-year-old dilemma of village sewage disposal. We co-sponsored a joint public information-gathering meeting with the Selectmen and later won town approval for a new village survey to acquire data needed to develop innovative but workable solutions to this perplexing problem.

In the area of public education, we began a column in the **Ashfield News** on Board of Health matters and distributed information to food vendors on prevention of food-borne disease. We attended several educational events ourselves, and we joined the Mass. Association of Health Boards in an effort to broaden our knowledge and abilities.

There were several personnel changes on the Board in 1988. Harry Dodson was elected upon Fritz Graves' resignation and Tom Leue was appointed to fill the seat of Dorothy Longley, who resigned in the fall. Clayton Craft was hired late in the year as Health Agent, to witness perc tests and perform inspections of septic system installations. Early in the year, we worked with four nearby towns on the creation of a regional health district, but it was not our fate to be able to join it. We still look forward to shared work with neighboring towns as the scope and complexity of our duties continue to increase. We now hope to be able to share a part-time secretary with other Ashfield boards, as our paperwork demands are horrendous and getting worse.

In closing, we offer our thanks to the many people who have been so kind and helpful to us this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE A. BENNETT, Chairman

Council on Aging

The council is continuing to work with the Shelburne-Buckland-Colrain Councils on Aging to provide programs in Ashfield and in the Shelburne Senior Center, 7 Main Street, Shelburne Falls. The council provides services to persons who are 60 years or older, regardless of income. Persons who are married to persons who are 60 years or older can also take advantage of programs. The senior center is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The council meets the third Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. The place of the meeting is announced prior to each meeting.

Health services are always a major portion of the council's activities. In co-operation with the Mohawk Health Education Services, a cholesterol screening and teaching program, monthly blood pressure clinics, a flu clinic, two CPR courses, myotherapy workshops and a stress management course were offered. Also, as part of our commitment to keeping elders active, we started a golf group and continued sponsorship of the Hilltown Hikers, a weekly walking group. During August, twenty-five elders participated in the Bridge of Flowers Elder One Mile and Two Mile Walks.

May is Older Americans Month and a time when the council tries to focus on the variety of interests elders maintain. A spring concert with the Mohawk Trail Concerts and funded in part by an Arts Lottery Grant from the Shelburne Arts Lottery Council was held in Trinity Church and attended by 55 people. An art and craft show were combined with an open house later in the month. Seniors work exhibited included paintings, wood working, quilting and a variety of needlework.

The councils sponsored trips to the Boston Flower Show and the Bulb Show at Smith College. Educational trips which were co-sponsored with the Greenfield Council on Aging took people to Old Sturbridge Village and

to the Lasting Impressions Exhibit at Springfield Art Museum.

Educational programs included speakers on the Homestead Act, peer counseling, tax assistance, wills, estate and financial planning, long term care, consumer protection and student experiences in the Third World. Some of these programs were videotaped for later viewing.

During the summer, monies were received from the Buckland Arts Council to provide lessons in acrylic painting and wood carving. A grant from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs provided a four week oil landscape painting class.

Transportation is a major service provided by the council. A handicapped lift equipped van takes people to medical appointments, for business purposes, shopping and to meal sites. Under a Title III Grant from the Franklin County Home Care Corporation, seniors received rides to medical appointments in Northampton, Amherst and Springfield.

The senior center is staffed by a thirty hour/week Director, a part-time Meal Site Manager— Outreach Worker, three senior aides and over sixty volunteers. Volunteers contribute over 610 hours per month which is six times the state average. They prepare and deliver meals, distribute Brown Bags, attend meetings, assist in fund raising and drive elders to medical appointments and for shopping.

The in-kind value of the volunteer time calculated at \$5/hour is \$36,000 a year.

Services Offered	Number of Different	
	Elders	Times Used
Referrals to other agencies	8	20
General Information	51	166
Outreach	62	262
Blood pressure/flu clinic	46	62
Other health services	8	26
Congregate meals	10	192
Home delivered meals	8	837
Community education	48	285
Individual advocacy	8	15
Transportation	10	414
Recreation/Creative activities	45	729
Drop-in	3	25
Brown Bag	1	12
Caregivers program	3	18

In all 98 Ashfield elders were served 8,408 times.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA MONK, Chairman
GEORGE MONK
MARIANNA GRAVES
HELENE WALKER
FERN NYE

Visiting Nurse and Health Services

Annual Report — Fiscal Year 1988

The Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, a program of Franklin Medical Center, has continued to provide a comprehensive array of health services to patients recovering from acute episodes of illness at home this year. Services are provided by qualified professionals including registered nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists. Personal care services by trained home health aides are also provided as an adjunct to skilled care.

In 1988 the following services were rendered to 29 patients:

Skilled Nursing Visits - 230

Physical Therapy Visits - 46

Home Health Aide Hours - 348.5

The agency has a large component of homemakers whose services are available to help the frail elderly to remain independent at home by assisting with light housekeeping, personal care, shopping, and errands. Referrals for any of the above services are accepted from physicians, hospitals, patients, and/or families. Call 774-2302 for services.

In addition, the agency provides for the Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC) for all of Franklin County from our office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield. Call 774-2302 to enroll.

Dog Officer Report

The Ashfield Dog Officer's position, like other legal positions, has become more time consuming and complicated. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through the efforts of the MSPCA, passed a mandatory sterilization law that became effective July 1, 1988. This new law, Chap. 140, section 139A states: "No shelter shall sell or give away any dog or cat that has not been spayed or neutered, unless a deposit of not less than ten nor more than thirty dollars for spaying or neutering such dog or cat has been tendered to the shelter." The deposit is returned to the new owners if, within 60 days of adoption, a certificate from a licensed veterinarian is presented to me stating such dog or cat has been sterilized. This of course pertains only to dogs or cats that are put up for adoption after the 10 day holding period. The MSPCA has offered reduced fees on sterilization surgery at its three hospitals. Low income pet owners can apply for further consideration through the MSPCA's assistance program. I will be happy to answer any questions pet owners or future pet owners may have regarding this new law.

There are several new dog owners that have moved to Ashfield. An Ashfield dog license and tag must be purchased from the Town Clerk as

soon as possible and attached to your dog's collar. We have picked up a number of dogs with out of town and out of state dog licenses, only to find after several long distance phone calls, that the owners have recently moved to Ashfield.

We have received complaints from every section of town about dogs chasing our wild turkeys, as well as deer. The turkeys have a better chance to survive an attack only because with enough warning, they could fly. However, the deer still suffer the most. Please remember even the best family dog could be a wildlife chaser.

There have been a few dog bite cases during 1988. I would like to remind our Ashfield residents, that under the Mass. General Laws, everyone has the right to protect themselves in any way possible from an unprovoked attack from any dog. If a dog bite does occur, the victim should seek medical attention immediately if the skin was broken. They should also notify me as soon as possible.

During 1988 we started using pictures to advertise lost, missing and adoptable pets. This concept along with descriptions seemed to aid pet owners in recovering their animals. We also started to use the Town Crier and the Greenfield Recorder for advertising. As a reminder, Elmers Store, Short Stop and the Post Office are the locations where our pictures and signs are posted.

Ashfield still has a year round restraining order on all dogs. If everyone does their part, our dog problems could be kept to a minimum.

I now have a telephone tape machine so that non-emergency dog calls can be handled after I return. Hopefully, this will help in some ways.

I would like to thank those who have contributed dog food, time, and materials towards this needy cause.

Anyone with any dog related questions or information can contact me at 628-3811.

DOG STATISTICS

Phone calls	1934
Dogs confined	57
Mileage	4660
Labor	1524
Kennel Exp.	\$104.87
Fines collected	\$337.00
Dogs Destroyed	-0-

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Dog Officer

Ashfield Energy Resources Commission Report

The Commission met often during 1988 to continue our work on issues which affect the town. Turning our focus from energy conservation for the time being, we have been working diligently to improve the way Ashfield disposes of its solid waste.

Empowered by the legislation authorizing towns to establish energy resources commissions, we are able to develop and administer programs relating to recycling. Newspaper headlines frequently noted solid waste disposal issues this past year from closing landfills to mandatory recycling.

New members Tom McCrumm and Chris Reid replaced David Knoles and Elliot Marsh. The Commission divided the numerous tasks, meetings, and reporting amongst the members. With the support of the Selectmen, this commission looked into the numerous issues facing our transfer station, recycling shed and demolition dump.

We explored alternatives to disposing of trash from the compactor since our current contract expires next year. As members of the Franklin County Solid Waste Planning Board, we teamed with other towns to find a new landfill site. We also looked into joining the Hampshire Resource Management Cooperative to determine the potential of using Northampton's new landfill. Negotiations are currently underway to resolve this possible solution.

The town continued to enthusiastically recycle cardboard, newspapers, bottles and waste oil. Hudson Trucking of Greenfield lent the town a container for corrugated cardboard storage which they recycle. Day's Recycling of Greenfield continued to haul away all those newspapers, although the markets were drying up since there was too much recycled newsprint available. Glass was sold to Day's Recycling. A new waste oil tank and guidelines to satisfy DEQE hazardous waste laws were put into use. The Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) is currently under construction in Springfield. Ashfield hopes to send recycled tin and aluminum cans there when it opens.

Much time was spent in writing articles to educate the public and ourselves about the most efficient ways to deal with recycling. The life and limit of our landfill is coming to a rapid end and ideas to prolong its life were initiated. The Commission welcomes all ideas and suggestions from the community.

PHILIP PLESS, Chairman
DOUGLAS CRANSON
CURTIS PICHETTE
THOMAS McCRUMM
CHRISTINE REID

Ashfield Historical Commission

The Ashfield Historical Commission realized the completion of two important projects this year. A project begun last year of producing comprehensive maps of the village area for National Register designation as well as long range study maps was delivered by the University of Massachusetts Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning. These maps are very useful for the Town in proper planning for the inevitable continuing growth of our historical rural town. The maps were shared with town officials and other boards and also with the public at the Grange Hall at Fall Festival. A working copy of these maps will be made available at the Town Hall in the near future. Another project completed was the Town Inventory which encompassed many aspects: the documentation of all buildings over 50 years in age, all known historical sites as well as monuments. The second major project was the nomination of the Village (Plain) as a designated National Register District. Criteria for designation is that the area be historically intact and have played a role in the development of the nation either by its use or by the people who resided there. The time it took to put together the application was not due to lack of enthusiasm, but to the numerous famed people and the architecturally unique structures that personify the unparalleled historicalness of our village. The application is now in Boston for State review and will then be sent on for Federal review.

The goals for the coming years are to preserve the First Baptist Church site and the Phillips Fort site (both on March Road) and to survey and restore the stone bridge in the Apple Valley area.

We wish to thank Ruth Craft for her many years of dedicated service to this board. She will continue her support of our work and we are most grateful for this. We welcome Richard Turner to our board.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANNE BROCHU, **Chairman**
SUSAN McGOWAN, **Treasurer**
RUTH CRAFT, **Secretary**
THOMAS ULRICH
ANNE YURYAN

Highway Garage Relocation Committee

To the Selectmen:
Town of Ashfield

On January 25, 1928, Milo Belding of New York, N. Y. deeded a parcel of land to the Town of Ashfield in memory of his parents to be used for the purpose of a town park. That land was to be used "THEREON AS A PUBLIC PARK FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF ANY AND ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF ASHFIELD." At this time, however, there was on that property a large barn (the front garage) that the Town of Ashfield moved their road equipment into. The belief is that the Belding family was aware of this use of the property and did not object. In recent years, many townspeople have felt that the land should be used only as a park.

Therefore, on May 7, 1988 at the annual town meeting of the Town of Ashfield, an article was on the warrant that was amended to read as follows: "COMMENCE A STUDY COMMITTEE OF FIVE PERSONS, APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR, FOR THE PURPOSE OF LOCATING A SUITABLE SITE AND PURSUE WAYS AND MEANS OF FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT GARAGE AND YARD. THE DECISION OF THE STUDY COMMITTEE TO BE VOTED ON AT THE 1989 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND THE TRANSITION BACK TO PARK LAND, INCLUDING RESTORATION, TO BE COMPLETED BY THE YEAR 1998. This article was voted in the affirmative.

The committee that the moderator appointed is:

Douglas Mollison, Chairman

Dr. Thomas Cranston

Edgar Burgin

John Nawrocki, who left the committee for personal reasons

Avis Whitehouse, Recording Secretary

The largest task of this committee has been to locate an adequate site that will meet the current and future needs of the highway department. The IDEAL SITE should be as follows:

1. A minimum of 1.5 acres and up to 5+ acres with a maximum of a 5% grade.
2. Low or no visibility from present roads or homes.
3. Easy and safe access to a public way.
4. Located on a secondary road.
5. Low/no negative environmental impact, i.e. proximity to wetlands/water.
6. Septic (percolation) capability.
7. Minimum site development cost.
8. Sufficient utility service close by.

Our search began with the looking at land that the town already owns. One place is the Guditis property on Route 116, east of town. This property

was ruled out because of poor access to the state highway, the amount of land that was flat enough to put a new building on and the wetness in the western corner of the lot.

The second piece of property that the town owns is the land that was bought from Wallace Stroheker. This property is not suitable because of the distance it is from the center of town, the distance it is from the highway and the distance it is from utilities. The development cost would be astronomical. These being the only two sites that the town owns, we went looking at possible sites on private property.

The first property that we looked at was land that is northwest of the Route 112 and 116 intersection (the four corners) that belongs to the Phelps family on Smith Road. In looking the property over, even though it is flat, it is highly visible from the highway. We also determined it is very wet and close to the inlet to the lake. It was questionable whether we would ever be able to get it to perc.

We talked with Harris and Gray, Inc. about the town possibly buying their garage. We received a positive NO. We also asked Merton Howes and Bill Fitzgerald about land that they own and they were not interested in selling.

The final piece of property that we examined was the land owned by Dorothy Craft located on Baptist Corner Road across the road from Fritz Graves's garage. The property has very little visibility from the road. It is approximately 5+ acres in size with little or no slope. It was unofficially perced a few years ago and was said to be able to support one household. With a minimum of site development, the property could have a very safe access road put in and have very little impact on the surrounding area. The site would provide sufficient space for the storage needs of the highway department, both now and in the future (i.e. plows, salt, sand, etc.). The site would be an excellent location for the garage. The property can be bought by the town.

The committee recommends that the relocation of the highway department be pursued in four steps:

1. Purchase the land with a 5-10 year bond issue.
2. Contract with the state for a salt-sand storage shed. The state will bear full cost of constructing this structure including site preparation. The town should be prepared to expend about \$3,000 for the "roughing out" of the yard site and access road. This cost could be part of the land acquisition bond issue.
3. Construct the garage with a 5-10 year bond, at an approximate estimate of \$139,820, using current figures. By 1995, this figure will be about 10% higher.
4. At the present garage site, grade off the knoll where sand and stone is stored. Demolish the garage in the back and the salt shed. Seed the area with perennial rye grass. The estimated cost for these operations is \$3,000.

The committee recommends that the first two steps be initiated in FY 1990. The third step should be initiated in FY 1995, at which time the

grader and sewer loans should be paid off. This will avoid a heavy burden on the taxpayers. Step 4 would be carried out after the garage is completed.

The committee feels that it would be in the best interest of all parties concerned to purchase the Craft property for the highway department. The difference between purchasing and constructing new facilities versus leaving the highway garage where it is would be about \$40,000. To remain at the current site, the committee recommends that a new garage be built and that the deed be changed to permanently allow the highway department to occupy that site.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS MOLLISON, Chairman
DR. THOMAS CRANSTON
EDGAR BURGIN
AVIS WHITEHOUSE, Secretary

COST ESTIMATE

Ashfield Town Garage

February 1989

General

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|----|--|--------------|
| 1. | Land and Fees | \$ 34,000.00 |
| 2. | Arch./Engineering: Civil topo. and plan; architectural performance design and specifications; concrete structural design and specs; site layout. | \$ 6,000.00 |
| 3. | Perc Test | \$ 400.00 |

Building

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| 1. | Metal Building System:
40' x 116' @ \$23/s.f.
includes metal structure, metal wall panels, metal roof, windows, doors (except for overhead), foundations, slab, and insulation. | \$106,720.00 |
| 2. | Heating System: Recovery oil fired space heaters, 2 in garage area, and baseboard radiant in office. | \$ 5,000.00 |
| 3. | Electrical/lighting: General mercury vapor and fluorescent | \$ 5,000.00 |

lighting, panel, outlets, and
distribution.

4.	Plumbing and Fixtures	\$ 1,000.00
5.	Overhead Doors: 6 @ \$1,500	\$ 8,000.00
6.	Office: CMU construction and finish	\$ 2,500.00
7.	Floor Drains: Closed system with oil separator sump.	\$ 4,500.00
8.	Bollards and concrete apron	\$ 2,600.00
9.	Interior garage finish	\$ 4,500.00
10.	Salt Shed	\$ <u>0.00</u>
		<u>\$139,820.00</u>

Site

1.	Earthwork and Drainage	\$ 3,000.00
2.	Gravel Roadway (material only)	\$ 2,500.00
3.	Septic	\$ 4,000.00
4.	Well	\$ 4,000.00
5.	Site Lighting	\$ 1,500.00
6.	Electrical Service	\$ <u>1,000.00</u>
		<u>\$ 16,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$196,220.00</u>

Report of the Park Commissioners

During the past year there were two resignations from the Park Commission. Dick Muller, the recent chairman, resigned in May in order to devote more time to his leather business and Suzanne Moore relocated out of town. Holly Tirrell replaced Dick and the park commissioners are recommending Dana McNay to fulfill the remainder of Suzanne's term. Both of these commissioners will be sorely missed by the town. Under Dick's leadership the money for the dam project and the clean lake grant has been obtained from the state and the general appearance of the park has greatly improved. Dick has volunteered to see the dam project to completion and Suzanne will be working with the Garden Club towards continued beautification of the parkland. On behalf of the park commissioners and townspeople we would sincerely like to thank these two dedicated people for their efforts.

Work was begun in the fall towards restoration of the dam with removal of the trees located on the dike. Drainage of the lake was also scheduled to begin in the fall. However, a paperwork delay by an Ashfield town committee has delayed the project until the spring or fall of 89. At this writing, the contract for the construction work has been awarded, and the actual starting date will depend on the contractor's schedule and the timing of the beach season for Ashfield. It was decided by the park commissioners and the selectmen that the soil from the present dam would be spread, graded and seeded on the upper parkland.

The clean lakes grant which is targeted towards studying the chemical and physical aspects of the lake is currently on hold until the completion of the dam project. Since it is necessary to have four consecutive seasons to study the lake, this sequence would be interrupted when draining the lake to repair the dam.

Other park business included acquisition of three eight foot Austrian pine trees, purchased from money donated by Micheline Dufau prior to her death. These trees will be planted on parkland in the Spring. The memorial tree for Mary Craft Law, damaged last winter by snowmobiles, was replaced. The funds for the replacement were provided by the snowmobile club. In order to prevent future damage, members of the snowmobile club and park commission staked out trees and plantings in an effort to protect them from snowmobile traffic.

Vandalism continues to be a problem to park property. Last year the town spent approximately \$400.00 to repair locks which were kicked in at the beach house. This year the picnic tables were destroyed and the entrance sign broken. Both of these items will need repair.

A successful beach season was enjoyed by Ashfield residents. Low colliform counts enabled the beach to remain open the entire season as compared to several closings in past years.

The park commissioners would like to thank the townspeople for their continued support and welcome any suggestions they may have towards improving the use of our parkland.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH RILLINGS, Chairman
HOLLY TIRRELL
SUZANNE MOORE
Park Commissioners

Conservation Commission Report

The Conservation Commission reviewed 25 requests for determination in 1988. These requests notify the Conservation Commission of a landowner's intent allowing the commission to rule on the applicability of the Wetlands Protection Act. A positive determination means that the act applies to the particular request. An order of conditions will then be issued.

Four hearings concerned the building and/or dredging of ponds; three hearings were with the Mass. Dept. of Public Works; one hearing was on the dam restoration project in the Ashfield Lake Buffer Zone; the remainder concerned work near a waterway.

The minutes of the Conservation Commission are on file at the town office, as are maps concerning the dam restoration and other projects brought before the commission.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY WIGMORE, Chairman
ALAN SURPRENANT, Secretary
RUSSELL LOOMIS, JR.
KENNETH ROBERTS
MARK SPEES
Conservation Commission

Report of the Planning Board

Due to the increased complexity and number of applications received, the Planning Board moved to meeting twice a month in 1988. The Board held a total of eighteen Public Hearings. Of these, sixteen were for Special Permits. Twelve Special Permits were granted and four applications were withdrawn. Special Permits were sought to establish home offices, studio workshops and, in a number of cases, to allow for expansion of current use.

A Public Hearing was also held to discuss the installation of guard rails on Smith Road (a designated scenic road) to replace the tree barrier destroyed in the Spring 1987 floods.

Another Public Hearing was held on an application to create a subdivision of eight lots and fifty two acres of open space off Ranney Corner Road. Final approval subject to many conditions was granted at the end of November.

In other business, the Board reviewed and signed numerous surveyed plans for divisions of parcels under the Approval Not Required process.

The Board has developed new forms to assist applicants before the Board. These forms are intended to ensure, where appropriate, the involvement of other town boards including the Board of Health, the Conservation and Park Commissions, the Police and Fire Chiefs and the Hazardous Waste Co-ordinator.

There have been frequent changes in membership of the Board over the last year or so. Anne Yuryan was originally appointed and subsequently elected to replace Mark Zenick. Cooky Kipen and Steve Judge were elected to replace Gene Poissant and Betsy Beebe. Buz Eisenberg was appointed to replace Steve Judge. Finally, Rick Chandler was appointed to the vacancy created by Norm Scott's resignation. Jeanne Fessenden served as secretary to the Board for much of 1988. The Board has been without administrative assistance since Jeanne's resignation.

In early fall the Board established a subcommittee to review Ashfield's By-laws. Five members of the committee were appointed by the Planning Board and two by the Selectmen.

The Planning Board welcomes all townspeople to participate in the activities of the Board. We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in Town Hall.

MARY FITZ-GIBBON, Chairman
RICHARD CHANDLER
STEWART EISENBERG
ETHEL KIPEN
ANNE YURYAN

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

During the month of February, preliminary budgets for the 1989-90 school year are completed with public hearings on the budgets scheduled in early March. School committees are facing some difficult decisions as they complete the budgets this year. This year there are needs for sizable increases in the budgets at a time of limited resources in our communities. The budgetary problems are further complicated by the financial uncertainties that exist at the state level. It makes projecting accurate state revenues in the Fiscal 1990 budget a risky proposition at best.

At Hawlemont, the former Charlemont High School building will be used in order to meet the space needs in the district. The building will need some extensive renovations in order to make it suitable for elementary classrooms. There will need to be some improvements in the electrical and heating systems, bathrooms, to provide handicapped access, and other repairs. The cost of these renovations and repairs will be at least \$90,000, financed over a several year period. There are sections of the roof at Hawlemont that will need to be replaced as well. The school district has received a grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to assist with the financing of this project. The roof over the gymnasium was repaired six years ago, but the remainder of the roof is in poor condition.

At the Buckland-Shelburne Regional School, there will be an estimated enrollment of 430 students in September. This means an increase of nearly 100 students in a period of two years. This increase in student population is creating some serious space problems for the school. The Side by Side Program for three to five year old children, currently housed at Buckland-Shelburne Regional, may have to find space at another facility in the community. The program serves the needs of all students in that age category from the nine towns. The relocation of this classroom will result in a large increase in the budget for all school districts that have children enrolled in that particular program and that an additional regular education classroom will be available at the school. If more than one additional classroom is required to meet the space needs, it will mean reallocating space within the school or finding additional classroom space in a facility outside of the school. The new roof has been completed and the first payment for the towns of Buckland and Shelburne will be included in next year's budget.

In Colrain, the community has approved a proposal to construct a modular classroom on the Colrain Central School, that could house two classrooms at a cost of \$100,000. This space will help to alleviate the overcrowded conditions that have existed at the school for many years. These classrooms are projected to provide for the short term space needs at Colrain for the next five years.

At Ashfield-Plainfield, there is a need for additional classroom space. Many of the areas are small and not suited for larger classes. The school committee is currently investigating options for space to house

classes outside the school. This would represent only a short term solution to the space needs at Sanderson. The school committee and representatives from Ashfield and Plainfield will have to work closely together in order to solve the long term space needs for the school district. The estimated enrollment at Sanderson will be 225 students next year.

At Rowe, the school committee will be carefully examining space needs and student enrollment trends for both Rowe and Heath. There will be a projected enrollment of 134 students in September, with over 100 students from Heath. The school committee will be making staffing decisions as they complete their budget for town meeting in May. They will have to decide on how much of an increase in staff the communities can financially support. Heath will be paying tuition at the rate of \$1,900 per student, plus 75% of any increase in the shared portion of the budget. The Town of Heath is being confronted with enrollment increases at Rowe, Mohawk, and Franklin County Technical School, creating a real dilemma for the community. The towns of Rowe and Heath will be appointing regionalization committees to study the long term organizational needs of both communities. Rowe School is becoming crowded and will need additional space to house students in the near future.

At Mohawk Trail, there are increasing building needs to replace and repair the heating system. The electric heating system in the gymnasium needed to be replaced in January. It's been replaced with gas as the heating source. There is a need to repair and replace many of the other heating units in the building. The present electric heating system is inefficient and expensive. The roof will need to be replaced in the near future, as we have a number of leaks that have developed. Many of the tiled floors will need replacement in coming years as the building is 22 years old.

The school committees have approved the hiring of a Director of Facilities and Transportation for our several school systems. This position is necessitated by the ever increasing work load in the areas of maintaining building projects and repairs, transportation, state and federal requirements for asbestos management, and energy grants. The person selected for the new position will supervise the custodial staff at Mohawk, the daily operations of the transportation system, interact with architects, contractors, town officials, and various inspectors. This position will be funded by the elimination of the position of Head Custodian at Mohawk, and will eliminate the need to contract for up to \$10,000 each year for energy grants and asbestos containment projects.

In order to promote curriculum coordination and professional development within Mohawk area schools, our elementary schools are participating in ten joint early released day programs. Activities have included a variety of workshops, grade-level meetings, cross school visitations, and district-wide advisory board meetings. Financial support for these programs have been obtained from a number of different grants. Building level activities have also been held. This program has generated enthusiasm and positive classroom outcomes. Recommendations for next year's program will be made in May. We appreciate the community support in light of the child care problems engendered by an early release

day schedule.

In October, 1988, all students in grades 3, 6, and 9 participated in the MA Basic Skills Testing Program. The purpose of these tests is to identify students who need special help in reading, writing, and mathematics. Individual reports were sent to parents in January.

In April, 1988, students in grades 4, 8, and 12 were tested as part of the mandated statewide Educational Assessment Program. This program is designed to improve curriculum and instruction. The results show that with few exceptions, our schools scored at or above average in all four subjects areas: reading, mathematics, science and social studies.

There have been several new administrators hired in the school district. Dr. Idalia Morales has been appointed the Principal of Sander-son Academy replacing Mrs. Martha Conant. Dr. Morales was previously working in the Amherst School District. Mr. Peter Dolan has been hired as Principal of Colrain Central School. Mr. Dolan was working at the Pownal Elementary School in Pownal, Vermont. Mr. Dolan replaced Mr. David Rempell who resigned to accept the principalship of the Williamstown Elementary School. Mr. Richard McInerny has been hired as the Director of Special Education replacing Mr. Kevin Courtney, who is now serving as Superintendent of Schools for the Pioneer Valley Regional School District. Mr. McInerny worked for the Ludlow School District in the special education department before assuming his new duties last fall. Mrs. Penelope Spearance was hired at Mohawk for the combination position of Middle School Coordinator and as Director of Chapter I for the combined school system. Mrs. Spearance was a teacher at Hawlemont Regional School before accepting the new position at Mohawk in October of 1988.

Dr. Gwen Van Dorp, Assistant Superintendent, has resigned her position to accept the position of Superintendent of Schools in Hampden, Massachusetts. Dr. Van Dorp has been employed in several positions in the school districts. She was Director of the Teacher Center, served for four years as Principal of Hawlemont Regional School, and worked in the Superintendent's Office for the past two years. Dr. Van Dorp has done an excellent job for the school district in all of her positions. We wish her the best of luck at Hampden.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE E. WILLARD,
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Sanderson Academy School Principal

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Sanderson Academy for the school year 1988-1989.

The Ashfield students who graduated from Sanderson Academy in June of 1988 are:

Audrey Collins
Heather Gould
Thomas Schreiber
Christopher Tilley

Jason Emrick
Dennis Gibson
Christian Smith
Daniel Wilson

Jodi Eno
Matthew Heideman
Shennan Stevens

Total enrollment on December 1, 1988 equals 219 students in grades K-6.

The faculty this year consists of eleven regular classroom teachers and one special needs teacher. There are three part-time teachers for art, music and gym. We share the services of school psychologist, Jack Horrigan. Mr. Horrigan is with us on Thursdays this year. Jean Tobin was hired to provide psychologist services on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Increased funding of the Essential Skills/Chapter I grant monies allows us to have two fulltime teachers to work with students who have supplementary needs in Reading, Math and Writing.

Martha Conant, former principal, resigned to become a classroom teacher. Dr. Idalia Morales was hired to replace her. Mrs. Conant is now on leave at Mohawk working with the Essential Skills grant. Bill Cole was hired to replace her as the 5/6 classroom teacher. Joanne Ostrowski, 4th grade teacher, is on leave of absence. Jeannie Joy was hired to take her place for the school year. Helen Stein, kindergarten teacher, resigned and Barbara Kendzior was hired to fill her position. Barbara Pantermehl, R.N., our school nurse for many years, resigned and Pauline McNay, R.N., was hired to fill the nurse position. She is at the school from 10 am to 2 pm daily. Mrs. Pantermehl continues to come into the school on Fridays as a Library volunteer. Sheryl Liimatainen was hired as a recess aide to monitor the children's outside play at noontime.

Five members of the faculty, Alyson Patch, Sara Renner, Budge Litchfield, Laurel Dickey and Valerie Abramson are this year's recipients of the Horace Mann Grant. This grant will allow them to work on different aspects of implementing a Whole Language Program and also student grouping.

Members of our faculty serve on several advisory boards; Early Childhood Council, Gifted and Talented Council, School Improvement Council and Insurance, Regional Task Group on Education and Middle School Councils.

The Language Arts Curriculum was updated and rewritten. The physical education, art and music curriculum will be written during this

year.

Sanderson was the recipient of an Early Childhood grant which allows the Ashfield Preschool and Sanderson to provide services to 24 preschool children and their families. Sanderson was also named an Opportunity School by the state. This allows Sanderson to receive extra funding.

Sanderson Academy is again participating in Cultural Resources grants. One was from the Arts Collaborative and allowed Martha Armstrong Gray to do an Artist-In-Residence for five weeks in October and November. The other is in conjunction with the Arts Council of Franklin County and applies to our grades three and four. This past fall they have worked on the "Images of People" classes which will continue in the spring with a different artist and different focus. The Ashfield and Plainfield Arts Lottery Councils have funded programs which will allow children to travel to the Springfield Children's Theater for performances of "A Wrinkle in Time" and "Charlotte's Web."

Continued population increases have necessitated building changes. The second floor locker room has been converted into an office for the new principal. Sanderson is faced with the need to provide space for two more classrooms. Outside-the-building space is being pursued.

The Parent Volunteer Group continues to be a source of support to our classroom teachers. Parents and townspeople work with individuals in small groups or help in the preparation of materials.

The Parent Advisory Council remains active. They are currently working on a four year plan necessitated by our being named an Opportunity School.

The PTO has had a successful fund drive for playground equipment. They have a design for the new structure and are continuing to raise funds to build this spring.

Donations have been received from the Sanderson Trustees and the Williamsburg Rotary Club this year. These monies have been used to cover Sanderson's part of the Collaborative grant for the Artist-In-Residence and for classroom materials.

As the new principal of Sanderson Academy, I hope to maintain the high standards set by Martha Conant.

Respectfully submitted,

IDALIA MORALES, Ed. D.

Principal of Sanderson Academy

Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District — Fiscal Year 1988

Financial Statement

Account Title	Y-T-D Expended	Unexpended Balance	Encumbered	Unencumbered Balance
Cafeteria Revolving				
Cafeteria - Equipment	\$ 3,321.42	\$ -3,321.42	\$ 0.00	\$ -3,321.42*
Cafeteria - Food	14,422.51	-14,422.51	0.00	-14,422.51*
Cafeteria - Labor	13,931.13	-13,931.13	0.00	-13,931.13*
Cafeteria - Other Expense	1,663.73	-1,663.73	0.00	-1,663.73*
Cafeteria - Meal Tax	86.19	-86.19	0.00	-86.19*
Subtotal - cafeteria	\$ 33,424.98	\$ 33,424.98	\$ 0.00	\$ -3,424.98
Subtotal CAFETERIA REVOLVING	\$ 33,424.98	\$ 33,424.98	\$ 0.00	\$ -3,424.98
Federal Grant				
Chapter I Salaries	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -9,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -9,000.00*
Chapter I Insurance	760.01	-760.01	0.00	-760.01*
Subtotal FEDERAL GRANT	\$ 9,760.01	\$ -9,760.01	\$ 0.00	\$ -9,760.01
LOCAL APPROPRIATIONS				
School Committee				
Secretary	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Contracted Services	367.33	-367.33	0.00	-367.33*
Contracted Services, Legal	490.83	9.17	0.00	9.17
Dues & Travel	1,333.38	-633.38	0.00	-633.38*
Advertising	2,385.75	-1,585.75	0.00	-1,585.75*
Treasurer's Salary	0.00	2,120.00	0.00	2,120.00
Asst. Treasurer's Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treasurer's Supplies	665.45	-165.45	0.00	-165.45*
Treasurer's Bond	219.00	-219.00	0.00	-219.00

Treasurer's Travel	46.36	-46.36	0.00	-46.36*
Subtotal SCHOOL COMMITTEE	\$ 5,508.10	\$ -888.10	\$ 0.00	\$ -888.10
Superintendent's Office				
Superintendent's Salary	\$ 3,999.30	\$ -0.30	0.00	\$ -0.30*
Assistant Superintendent - Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Superintendent's Other and Travel	301.92	0.08	0.00	0.08
Assistant Superintendent - Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Business Manager Salary	2,674.35	-0.35	0.00	-0.35*
Business Manager Other & Travel	285.48	0.52	0.00	0.52
Office Manager Salary	2,121.21	-2,121.21	0.00	-2,121.21*
Secretary Salaries	9,401.09	-418.09	0.00	-418.09*
Secretary Substitutes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contracted Services	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00
Supplies & Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Director of Planning Salary	2,542.76	689.24	0.00	689.24
Director of Planning Travel	224.36	-224.36	0.00	-224.36*
Subtotal SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	\$ 21,550.47	\$ -1,724.47	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,724.47
Supervision Services				
Coordinator's Salary	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00
Contracted Services Curriculum Development	0.00	700.00	0.00	700.00
Coordinator's Other Expense	36.00	-6.00	0.00	-6.00*
Subtotal SUPERVISION SERVICES	\$ 136.00	\$ 694.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 694.00
Principal's Office				
Teacher in Charge	\$ 250.00	\$ -250.00	0.00	\$ -250.00
Principal's Salary	33,845.44	-1,145.44	-2,290.58	1,145.14
Principal's Secretary Salary	7,953.09	771.91	254.41	517.50
Principal's Secretary Substitutes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Principal's Office Supplies
Principal's Office Other Expense
Subtotal Principal's Office

493.35	206.65	0.00	206.65
553.04	446.96	0.00	446.96
\$ 43,094.92	\$ 30.08	\$ -2,036.17	\$ 2,066.25

Instructional Services

Teacher Retirement Incentive	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Teachers' Salaries	220,204.57	20,196.43	44,897.96
Teacher Substitute Salaries	4,050.00	450.00	0.00
Course Reimbursement	922.52	577.48	0.00
Teacher Aides Salaries	8,531.66	4,372.34	9,804.34
Teacher Aides Substitutes	0.00	0.00	0.00
General Supplies	15,972.25	-4,972.25	0.00
Teacher Other Expense	1,987.56	-1,487.56	0.00
Kindergarten Teacher Salary	6,923.04	-6,923.04	11,076.96
Kindergarten Supplies	53.27	-53.27	0.00
Field Trip Transportation	2,300.97	-1,100.97	0.00
SPED Teacher Salaries	18,577.91	0.09	-714.45
SPED Teacher Substitutes	270.00	30.00	0.00
SPED Home Instruction	3,858.34	-3,858.34	0.00
SPED Teacher Aides	6,338.14	-5,667.14	0.00
SPED Contracted Services	12,228.06	-2,728.06	0.00
SPED Supplies	608.21	-208.21	0.00
SPED Other Expense	122.84	77.16	0.00
Subtotal INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$302,949.34	\$ -1,295.34	\$ 65,064.81

Textbooks

Textbooks	\$ 411.67	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,588.33
SPED Textbooks	0.00	0.00	100.00
Subtotal TEXTBOOKS	\$ 411.67	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,688.33

Library				
Library Manager	\$ 8,228.17	\$ 1,380.83	\$ -267.43	\$ 1,648.26
Library Substitutes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library Supplies & Materials	2,478.31	-478.31	0.00	-478.31*
Library Other Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal LIBRARY	<u>\$ 10,706.48</u>	<u>\$ 902.52</u>	<u>\$ -267.43</u>	<u>\$ 1,169.95</u>
Audio Visual				
Supplies	\$ 170.38	\$ 229.62	\$ 0.00	\$ 229.62
Other Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal AUDIO VISUAL	<u>\$ 170.38</u>	<u>\$ 229.62</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 229.62</u>
Guidance Services				
Testing Supplies	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
Testing - Other Expense	380.41	-130.41	0.00	-130.41*
Guidance Salary	7,346.04	-2,448.04	-282.58	-2,165.46*
Guidance Supplies	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
Subtotal GUIDANCE SERVICES	<u>\$ 7,726.45</u>	<u>\$ -2,328.45</u>	<u>\$ -282.58</u>	<u>\$ -2,045.87</u>
Psychological Services				
Psychologist Salary	\$ 7,346.04	\$ -2,448.04	\$ -282.58	\$ -2,165.46*
Psych. Contr. Service	807.50	-607.50	0.00	-607.50*
Psych. Supplies & Materials	265.46	-165.46	0.00	-165.46*
Psych. Other Expense	614.75	-514.75	0.00	-514.75*
Subtotal PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	<u>\$ 9,033.75</u>	<u>\$ -3,735.75</u>	<u>\$ -282.58</u>	<u>\$ -3,453.17</u>
Health Services				
School Nurse Substitute Salary	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Physician Salary	500.00	-100.00	0.00	-100.00*
School Nurse Salary	7,097.82	152.18	-322.46	474.64

Health Supplies	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Subtotal HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 7,597.82	\$ 152.18	\$ -322.46	\$ 474.64
Pupil Transportation				
Contracted Services	\$ 81,482.15	\$ 6,117.85	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,117.85
Transportation Gasoline	315.00	2,185.00	0.00	2,185.00
SPED Transportation Contracted Service	2,987.33	3,012.67	0.00	3,012.67
Subtotal PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$ 84,784.48	\$ 11,315.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,315.52
Food Services				
Cafeteria Salaries	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Subtotal FOOD SERVICES	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Other Student Body Activities				
Student Body Activities	\$ 257.43	\$ 242.57	\$ 0.00	\$ 242.57
Subtotal OTHER STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES	\$ 257.43	\$ 242.57	\$ 0.00	\$ 242.57
Custodial Services				
Custodial Salary	\$ 20,407.17	\$ -87.17	\$ -737.21	\$ 650.04
Custodial Helper	3,292.00	-1,492.00	0.00	-1,492.00*
Custodial Supplies & Materials	2,314.64	685.36	0.00	685.36
Subtotal CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$ 26,013.81	\$ -893.81	\$ -737.21	\$ -156.60
Heating of Building				
Heating Oil	\$ 3,629.20	\$ 3,570.80	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,570.80
Subtotal HEATING OF BUILDINGS	\$ 3,629.20	\$ 3,570.80	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,570.80
Utility Services				
Electricity	\$ 5,844.50	\$ 2,955.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,955.50

Telephone	2,411.12	-1,411.12	0.00	-1,411.12*
Water and Sewer	1,578.95	-278.95	0.00	-278.95*
Subtotal UTILITY SERVICES	\$ 9,834.57	\$ 1,265.43	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,265.43
Maintenance of Grounds				
Yards & Grounds Contracted	\$ 2,023.00	\$ -23.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -23.00*
Yards & Grounds - Supplies	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS	\$ 2,023.00	\$ 177.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 177.00
Maintenance of Buildings				
School Building Contracted Services	\$ 6,912.24	\$ -912.24	\$ 0.00	\$ -912.24*
School Building - Supplies	4,548.02	-2,948.02	0.00	-2,948.02*
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS	\$ 11,460.26	\$ -3,860.26	\$ 0.00	\$ -3,860.26
Maintenance of Equipment				
Bldg. Equipment - Contracted	\$ 2,750.57	\$ -750.57	\$ 0.00	\$ -750.57*
Bldg. Equipment Maintenance Supplies	1,539.35	-739.35	0.00	-739.35*
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,289.92	\$ -1,489.92	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,489.92
Employee Retirement Program				
Fr. Cty. Retirement	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
FICA Medicare Tax	2,689.65	-689.65	0.00	-689.65*
Subtotal EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PROGRAM	\$ 2,689.65	\$ -689.65	\$ 0.00	\$ -689.65
Insurances				
All Other Insurances	\$ 12,764.43	\$ -4,992.43	\$ 0.00	\$ -4,992.43*
Unemployment Insurance	675.39	324.61	0.00	324.61
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	13,032.41	2,724.59	0.00	2,724.59
Boston Mutual Life Insurance	95.58	-95.58	0.00	-95.58*
Subtotal INSURANCES	\$ 26,567.81	\$ -2,038.81	\$ 0.00	\$ -2,038.81

Acquisition/Improvement Equipment

New Equipment	\$ 4,067.76	\$	0.00	\$	-567.76*
Acquisition of Fixed Assets, SPED	716.40		0.00		-716.40*
Subtotal ACQUISITION/IMPROVEMENT EQUIP.	\$ 4,784.16	\$	0.00	\$	-1,284.16

Replacement of Equipment

Replacement of Equipment	\$ 1,495.09	\$	0.00	\$	-495.09*
Subtotal REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,495.09	\$	0.00	\$	-495.09

Programs with Schools in MA

Tuition - Other Districts	\$ 11,015.06	\$	0.00	\$	-245.06*
Subtotal PROGRAMS WITH SCHOOLS IN MA	\$ 11,015.06	\$	0.00	\$	-245.06

Programs with Non-Public Schools

Tuition Non-Public Schools	\$ 921.00	\$	0.00	\$	-921.00*
Tuition Non-Public Schools - Preschool	325.00		0.00		-325.00*

Subtotal PROGRAMS WITH NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	\$ 1,246.00	\$	0.00	\$	-1,246.00
Subtotal LOCAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$600,475.82	\$	61,136.38	\$	-62,083.20

ROTATING ACCOUNT**Principal's Office**

Encumb. Secretary Salary	\$ 1,716.15	\$	0.00	\$	-1,716.15*
Subtotal PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	\$ 1,716.15	\$	0.00	\$	-1,716.15

Instructional Services

Encumb. Teachers Salary	\$ 28,917.00	\$	0.00	\$	-28,917.00*
Encumb. Salaries for Teacher Aides	1,061.30		0.00		-1,061.30*

Encumb. Teacher Aid Sal. SPED
Subtotal INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

249.52	-249.52	0.00	-249.52*
\$ 30,227.82	\$ -30,227.82	\$ 0.00	\$ -30,227.82

Guidance Services
Encumb. Salary Guidance
Subtotal GUIDANCE SERVICES

\$ 300.00	\$ -300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -300.00*
\$ 300.00	\$ -300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -300.00

Psychological Services
Encumb. Salary Psychologist
Subtotal PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

\$ 300.00	\$ -300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -300.00*
\$ 300.00	\$ -300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -300.00

Custodial Services
Encumb. Custodial Salaries
Subtotal CUSTODIAL SERVICES

\$ 100.00	\$ -100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -100.00*
\$ 100.00	\$ -100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -100.00

Band
Band Revolving Account
Subtotal BAND

\$ 416.15	\$ -416.15	\$ 0.00	\$ -416.15*
\$ 416.15	\$ -416.15	\$ 0.00	\$ -416.15

Salaries Grants
Encumb. Salaries Grants
Subtotal SALARIES GRANTS

\$ 824.00	\$ -824.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -824.00*
\$ 824.00	\$ -824.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -824.00

Subtotal ROTATING ACCOUNT

\$ 33,884.12	\$ -33,884.12	\$ 0.00	\$ -33,884.12
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STATE GRANT

18K Grant
18K Grant
Subtotal 18K GRANT

\$ 7,219.00	\$ -7,219.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -7,219.00*
\$ 7,219.00	\$ -7,219.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -7,219.00

Instructional Materials Grant

Instructional Materials Grant

School Improvement Council

Subtotal INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS GRANTS

\$	187.05	\$	-187.05	\$	0.00	\$	-187.05*
\$	2,774.67	\$	-2,774.67	\$	0.00	\$	-2,774.67*
\$	2,961.72	\$	-2,961.72	\$	0.00	\$	-2,961.72

CII Grant

CII - Effec. Parent/Teacher Conference

Thinking Skills

Subtotal CII GRANT

\$	680.00	\$	-680.00	\$	0.00	\$	-680.00*
\$	1,805.55	\$	-1,805.55	\$	0.00	\$	-1,805.55*
\$	2,485.55	\$	-2,485.55	\$	0.00	\$	-2,485.55

Early Childhood Grant

Professional Salaries

Clerical Salaries

Contracted Services

Grant - Supplies

Teaching Salaries

Supplies

Other

Civic Act.

Subtotal EARLY CHILDHOOD GRANT

\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
	98.95	\$	-98.95	\$	0.00	\$	-98.95*
	8,071.98	\$	-8,071.98	\$	0.00	\$	-8,071.98*
	56.07	\$	-56.07	\$	0.00	\$	-56.07*
	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
	130.00	\$	-130.00	\$	0.00	\$	-130.00*
	194.00	\$	-194.00	\$	0.00	\$	-194.00*
	56.00	\$	-56.00	\$	0.00	\$	-56.00*
\$	8,607.00	\$	-8,607.00	\$	0.00	\$	-8,607.00

Educational Tech Grant

Educational Tech Grant

Subtotal EDUCATIONAL TECH GRANT

\$	1,614.00	\$	-1,614.00	\$	0.00	\$	-1,614.00*
\$	1,614.00	\$	-1,614.00	\$	0.00	\$	-1,614.00

EEOG Grant

Equal Education Opportunity Grant

Subtotal EEOG GRANT

\$	28,063.00	\$	-28,063.00	\$	0.00	\$	-28,063.00*
\$	28,063.00	\$	-28,063.00	\$	0.00	\$	-28,063.00

Energy Grant					
Energy Grant	\$ 975.00	\$ -975.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -975.00*	\$ -975.00
Subtotal ENERGY GRANT	\$ 975.00	\$ -975.00	\$ 0.00		
Essential Skills					
Director's Salary	\$ 1,682.00	\$ -1,682.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,682.00*	\$ -1,682.00*
Clerical Salary	90.00	-90.00	0.00	-90.00*	-90.00*
Director's Other Expense	470.00	-470.00	0.00	-470.00*	-470.00*
Professional Salaries	18,000.00	-18,000.00	0.00	-18,000.00*	-18,000.00*
Grant - Supplies	1,598.00	-1,598.00	0.00	-1,598.00*	-1,598.00*
Grant - Other Expense	600.00	-600.00	0.00	-600.00*	-600.00*
Maintenance of Equipment	250.00	-250.00	0.00	-250.00*	-250.00*
FICA	261.00	-261.00	0.00	-261.00*	-261.00*
Insurance	121.00	-121.00	0.00	-121.00*	-121.00*
Subtotal ESSENTIAL SKILLS	\$ 23,072.00	\$ -23,072.00	\$ 0.00		\$ -23,072.00
Gifted & Talented					
Gifted & Talented Grant FY87	\$ 18.60	\$ -18.60	\$ 0.00	\$ -18.60*	\$ -18.60*
Gifted & Talented FY88	2,800.00	-2,800.00	0.00	-2,800.00*	-2,800.00*
Subtotal GIFTED & TALENTED	\$ 2,818.60	\$ -2,818.60	\$ 0.00		\$ -2,818.60
Horace Mann Grant					
Horace Mann Grant	\$ 1,805.00	\$ -1,805.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,805.00*	\$ -1,805.00*
Subtotal HORACE MANN GRANT	\$ 1,805.00	\$ -1,805.00	\$ 0.00		\$ -1,805.00
Math Consortium Grant					
Math Science Consortium Grant	\$ 60.00	\$ -60.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -60.00*	\$ -60.00*
Math Resources Project	81.72	-81.72	0.00	-81.72*	-81.72*
Subtotal MATH CONSORTIUM GRANT	\$ 141.72	\$ -141.72	\$ 0.00		\$ -141.72

Gifted & Talented					
Delete	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Subtotal GIFTED & TALENTED	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Gifted & Talented Grant					
Gifted & Talented Grant	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -8,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -8,000.00*
Salaries	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.00	0.00	-2,000.00*
Subtotal GIFTED & TALENTED GRANT	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -10,000.00
Professional Development					
Professional Development	\$ 5,910.00	\$ -5,910.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -5,910.00*
Subtotal PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	\$ 5,910.00	\$ -5,910.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -5,910.00
Subtotal STATE GRANT	\$ 95,672.59	\$ -95,672.59	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -95,672.59
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS					
Band					
Direct Deposits	\$ 1,699.72	\$ -1,699.72	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,699.72*
Subtotal BAND	\$ 1,699.72	\$ -1,699.72	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -1,699.72
Blue Cross/Blue Shield					
Dental Employee Deduction	\$ 725.89	\$ -725.89	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -725.89*
Dental Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BC/BS Insurance - Employee	8,783.18	-8,783.18	0.00	0.00	-8,783.18*
BC/BS Insurance - Others	2,480.69	-2,480.69	0.00	0.00	-2,480.69*
Subtotal BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	\$ 11,989.76	\$ -11,989.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -11,989.76

Boston Mutual Life Insurance

Boston Mutual Life Insurance - Employees
Delete

Boston Mutual Life Insurance - Others

Subtotal BOSTON MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE

\$	76.56	\$	-76.56	\$	0.00	\$	-76.56*
	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00
	12.18		-12.18		0.00		-12.18*
<u>\$</u>	<u>88.74</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-88.74</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-88.74</u>

Credit Union

Credit Union Withheld

Subtotal CREDIT UNION

\$	11,949.50	\$	-11,949.50	\$	0.00	\$	-11,949.50*
<u>\$</u>	<u>11,949.50</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-11,949.50</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-11,949.50</u>

Federal Tax

Federal Tax Withheld

Subtotal FEDERAL TAX

\$	54,520.45	\$	-54,520.45	\$	0.00	\$	-54,520.45*
<u>\$</u>	<u>54,520.45</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-54,520.45</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-54,520.45</u>

FICA

FICA Tax Withheld

Subtotal FICA

\$	2,689.65	\$	-2,689.65	\$	0.00	\$	-2,689.65*
<u>\$</u>	<u>2,689.65</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-2,689.65</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-2,689.65</u>

Franklin County Retirement

Franklin County Retirement

Subtotal FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT

\$	6,323.79	\$	-6,323.79	\$	0.00	\$	-6,323.79*
<u>\$</u>	<u>6,323.79</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-6,323.79</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-6,323.79</u>

HMO

Western Mass. Health Plan

Subtotal HMO

\$	128.96	\$	-128.96	\$	0.00	\$	-128.96*
<u>\$</u>	<u>128.96</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-128.96</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-128.96</u>

State Tax

State Tax Withheld

Subtotal STATE TAX

\$	20,348.17	\$	-20,348.17	\$	0.00	\$	-20,348.17*
<u>\$</u>	<u>20,348.17</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-20,348.17</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-20,348.17</u>

Teachers Retirement
 Teachers Retirement Withheld
 Subtotal Teachers Retirement

\$ 25,189.83	\$ -25,189.83	\$ 0.00	\$ -25,189.83*
\$ 25,189.83	\$ -25,189.83	\$ 0.00	\$ -25,189.83

Tax Shelter Annuities
 Tax Shelter Annuities
 Subtotal TAX SHELTER ANNUITIES

\$ 10,759.18	\$ -10,759.18	\$ 0.00	\$ -10,759.18*
\$ 10,759.18	\$ -10,759.18	\$ 0.00	\$ -10,759.18

Subtotal PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

\$145,687.75	\$ -145,687.75	\$ 0.00	\$ -145,687.75
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Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1988

After Transfers

ASSETS:

Cash, United Bank	\$ 1,299.05
Cash, M.M.D.T.	69,795.63
Cash, Heritage Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>

\$121,094.68

LIABILITIES:

Blue Cross/	
Blue Shield, Emp.	\$ 940.53
Blue Cross/	
Blue Shield, Others	470.14

To Be Received:
 Town of Ashfield
 Town of Plainfield

Meal Tax	\$ 19.12
School Lunch Fund	<u>(346.09)</u>

(326.97)

Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
Chapter 70
Chapter 71,
Reg. Aid
Chapter 71,
Transp.
Other State Aid

TOTAL ASSETS:

\$121,094.68

Grants:
Chap. I '88 \$ 20.08
School Improv. '87 7.47
School Improv. '88 11.33
Lucretia Croker 1,561.50
Ed. for Econ. Sec. 8,600.00
Ed. Tech. Mini (1,614.00)

8,586.38

Band Revolving Fund

(53.76)

Estimated Receipts:

Interest
Miscellaneous
Comm. of Mass.

Budget

Encumbered Salaries

30,399.51

Restricted Surplus

65,500.00

16,553.85

999 - EOER

(975.00)

TOTAL LIABILITIES
AND RESERVES:

\$121,094.68

Mohawk Trail Regional High School

Annual Report of the Principal

It is my pleasure to present my seventh annual report as Principal of Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The school year has been marked with much activity and accomplishment. New personnel have brought a breath of new ideas and enthusiasm to the school. Michael Rooney was employed as the Associate Principal and Penny Spearance hired as the new Middle School Coordinator and Chapter I Director. Both individuals are very valuable additions to the school and have engendered new initiatives.

Academically, Mohawk continues to excel. Student scores on the MA Curriculum Tests were the highest in the area. Ninety seven percent of Mohawk students passed MA Basic Skills Testing Program in areas of mathematics, reading and writing. Our success is a tribute to dedicated teachers and parents.

In the past year, we have been able to provide senior students with an Emergency Medical Technician course. Enrollment in upper level electives continues to increase. Much effort has been expended by high and middle school staffs to continue to refine the curriculum and to continue to raise expectations and standards.

In the area of athletics, field hockey and track teams distinguished themselves in the fall. Both boys' basketball and ski teams are anticipating very successful winter seasons. Overall, athletics attracts about thirty-five percent of the student body. This year, a greater portion of the athletic budget is supported by private donations and fund-raising. We owe a debt of gratitude to our supporters.

Middle school students presented three well-attended performances of "Singing in the Rain" this fall. At this writing, students are involved very actively in the production of "The Mystery of Edwin Drood". Many students have been selected for District Band and Chorus designations in state-wide competitions. The annual exchange concert is planned for the spring.

This year at Mohawk holds much promise. We anticipate that our enrollments will stabilize for the next two years. We sincerely thank all residents who have actively supported the school, especially in budgetary areas. We continue to need your involvement and support.

PHILIP A. DZIALO
Principal

1988 MOHAWK GRADUATES FROM THE TOWN OF ASHFIELD

Bradford Bardwell
Sarah Braman
Michael Chamberlain
Michelle Chamberlain
Gregory Dupree
Christopher Edwards
Matthew Farrell
Susan Fuller

Steven Gougeon
John Hall
Erik Lagoy
Leslie Pease
Sigrid Phelps
Kathy Poissant
Heather Williams
Douglas Kulis

Special Education Report

I'm pleased to present my first report as Administrator of Special Education for the Mohawk School District. The continued success of our programs is based upon the firm foundation established by my predecessors and the fine group of professionals who make up the special education department.

As of December 1, 1988, the number of students receiving special education services in the Mohawk Trail District was 279. This represents an overall decrease of 22 in comparison to last year's December first count. The students range in age from 3 to 22 and receive a variety of services. Included in these services are speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, counseling services, academic assistance and out-of-district placements for those students whose needs can not be met within our district. The great majority of our students receive one to two hours per day of remedial services in the resource room, while spending the majority of their day in regular classrooms. It is the goal of the special education program to mainstream students into the regular education program as much as possible. This goal is achieved through the cooperative efforts of regular education and special education working together.

Currently, there are eight resource rooms in our district; one at each of the elementary schools and three at Mohawk. The district also operates three "substantially separate" classrooms; one at Hawlemont, one at Buckland-Shelburne and one at Mohawk. These programs service children with more severe needs who spend little time in regular classrooms. Also in our district is an integrated pre-school program. The Side by Side West program integrates regular education pre-schoolers with special needs pre-schoolers in a rewarding and stimulating environment.

As with regular education, special education is experiencing growth in it's elementary and pre-school areas. This growth places a strain on our financial resources and physical plant needs. It is important to examine these needs closely with regular education needs in mind, since both

programs are closely linked and the success of mainstreaming depends upon the strength of each program.

Our federal entitlement grants - 94-142 and 89-313 have increased again this year. Last years combined total for these grants was \$70,295 while this year the total figure is \$87,417. With the ever tightening grip of fiscal restraint at state and local levels, these grants play an important role in our district programs. The utilization of staff and services would be seriously jeopardized without these two entitlement grants.

The Mohawk Regional School District has been selected for a special education audit this year. There is much planning and preparation before the State Department of Education audit team arrives between April 25-28, 1989. The audit team will converse with staff, school committee members, the transportation director, parents and any others who come in contact with special needs children. The areas to be examined by the ten or twelve member team are: Child Identification, Team Evaluation, Facilities, Transportation, Personnel, and General Management Requirements.

As preliminary work begins on the audit process, it appears that the overall condition of the special education department in the Mohawk Trail Regional School District is in fine shape. Staff and administrative efforts have demonstrated continuous efforts in providing the excellent services which are expected within our district. Administrators, staff and community support have made this a most enjoyable transition period for me. I look forward to continued success in our efforts to provide the best in services for the children within the Mohawk Trail Regional School District.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD J. McINERNY
Administrator of Special Education

School District Library/Media Services Report

One of the main projects for this past year has been the implementation of a district wide inservice program. A Commonwealth Inservice Institute grant of \$1823 was received to support a series of twelve workshops entitled **Library/Media Centers for the 1990's**. Topics have included book selection, maintenance of audio-visual equipment, reading, budget development and a visitation to the new Northfield Mount Herman Dolben Library. Additional workshops are planned for the spring.

District wide goals for this year are to catalog the nine town regional film and video collection located at the high school Resource Center and to implement the inservice program. Individual school library goals include weeding the collections, updating card catalogs and improving various areas of library service.

The school library/media centers have unequivocally experienced hardships in the areas of financial restraints and serious space problems. Each school has its own unique set of problems to solve both on a short term basis and for long range planning.

Despite lack of money for materials and equipment and in spite of insufficient time to accomplish the myriad of tasks needed to be done, the school district circulation statistics increased by several thousand items from the previous year. The circulation statistics for 1988 are as follows:

Print material	38,810
Nonprint material	4,450
Interlibrary loan	264

Total circulation of all material in the school district libraries reached 43,524 and 585 new items were cataloged in six schools.

Library/media personnel are as follows, Buckland-Shelburne Regional — Toni Wilcox, Colrain Central School — Carol Agrillo, Hawlemont Regional School — Sandy Gilbert, Rowe Elementary School — Wanda Musacchio, Sanderson Academy — Beverly Williams and Barbara Pantermehl, Mohawk Trail Regional School — Susan Silvester, Julie DuPree, Marjorie Porrovecchio and Elizabeth Stewart.

SUSAN B. SILVESTER
Director of Instructional
Media K-12

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Financial Report - FY 1988

Account Title	Y.T.D. Unexpended	
	Expended	Balance
CAFETERIA REVOLVING		
Cafe. Rev. - Equip./Repairs	\$ 3,311.91	\$ -3,311.91
Cafe. Rev. - Food Purchased	75,449.73	-75,449.73
Cafe. Rev. - Labor Charges	54,965.49	-54,965.49
Cafe. Manager - Labor	3,967.11	-3,967.11
Cafe. Rev. - Other	6,077.85	-6,077.85
Cafe. Rev. - Meal Tax	427.46	-427.46
Subtotal CAFETERIA REVOLVING	144,199.55	-144,199.55
FEDERAL GRANT		
ADAPTIVE PHYS. ED. GRANT		
Salaries	202.50	-202.50
Controller	1,904.27	-1,904.27
Supplies	295.20	-295.20
Other	120.33	-120.33
Retire.	408.00	-408.00
Monies	1,484.61	-1,484.61
Subtotal ADAPTIVE PHYS. ED. GRANT	4,414.91	-4,414.91
ADAPTIVE P.E. GRANT		
Instruc. Sup.	341.73	-341.73
Subtotal ADAPT. P. E. GRANT	341.73	-341.73
ADAPT. P. E. GRANT		
Speech Therapy	485.97	-485.97
Staff	7,223.16	-7,223.16
Subtotal ADAPT. P. E. GRANT	7,709.13	-7,709.13
ADAPT. P. E. GRANT		
Converse	1,758.00	-1,758.00
Evaluation	55.00	-55.00
Subtotal ADAPT. P. E. GRANT	1,813.00	-1,813.00
ADAPT. P. E. GRANT		
Retirement	645.00	-645.00
Subtotal ADAPT. P. E. GRANT	645.00	-645.00
ADAPT. P. E. GRANT		
Mileage	245.02	-245.02
Confer. Fees	0.00	0.00
Return Monies	0.00	0.00
Subtotal ADAPT. P. E. GRANT	245.02	-245.02

BLOCK GRANT

Ash. Ed. Imprv. Matl.	143.45	-143.45
Buck. Ed. Imprv. Matl.	69.95	-69.95
Colr. Ed. Imprv. Matl.	0.00	0.00
Hawl. Ed. Imprv. Matl.	154.19	-154.19
Mwk. Ed. Imprv. Matl.	392.80	-392.80
Rowe Ed. Imprv. Matl.	0.00	0.00
Ash. Lib. Matl.	258.92	-258.92
Buck. Lib. Matl.	804.82	-804.82
Colr. Lib. Matl.	558.95	-558.95
Hawl. Lib. Matl.	755.00	-755.00
Mwk. Lib. Matl.	2,571.00	-2,571.00
Rowe Lib. Matl.	157.95	-157.95
Ret'd Monies	0.00	0.00
Ash. Ed. Improv. Eq	455.29	-455.29
Buck. Ed. Imprv. Eq.	1,084.00	-1,084.00
Colr. Ed. Imprv. Eq.	1,250.00	-1,250.00
Hawl. Ed. Imprv. Eq.	565.00	-565.00
Mwk. Ed. Imprv. Eq.	2,979.80	-2,979.80
Rowe Ed. Imprv. Eq.	160.68	-160.68
Ash. Lib. Equip.	339.34	-339.34
Buck. Lib. Equip.	500.85	-500.85
Colr. Lib. Equip.	0.00	0.00
Hawl. Lib. Equip.	0.00	0.00
Mwk. Lib. Equip.	977.00	-977.00
Rowe Lib. Equip.	0.00	0.00
Block 87-91 Equip. Libr.	58.98	-58.98
87 Block. Ed. Impr. Matls. -		
Block Grant	0.00	0.00
Block '86 - Return Monies	38.51	-38.51
Subtotal BLOCK GRANT	14,276.48	-14,276.48

CHAPTER I

Dir. Salary 88	13,221.00	-13,221.00
Secretary 88	72.00	-72.00
Outside Evaluator 88 Contr.	1,500.00	-1,500.00
Adm. Instate Trav./Workshop 88	389.67	-389.67
Teachers & Subs. Sal. 88	70,840.41	-70,840.41
Teachers Aide Salaries	4,016.19	-4,016.19
Instr. Sup. (Incl. softwr.) 88	2,582.78	-2,582.78
Instr. Trav./Workshop 88	1,586.11	-1,586.11
Mat. & Rpr. Chgs. 88	25.00	-25.00
FY87 Single Audit 88	1,200.00	-1,200.00
Retire. Program (CH661 Chg.)	7,078.00	-7,078.00
Ins. (FICA-Dental Ins.) 88	5,358.81	-5,358.81
Pac Supplies 88	45.00	-45.00
Pac Travel 88	0.00	0.00
New Equip. 88	1,700.00	-1,700.00
Dissem. Coop. Proj. 88	119.00	-119.00
Compu. Cntr. Proj. 88	165.00	-165.00
Return Monies 88	0.00	0.00

1 Ret. Monies 86	0.00	0.00
1 Ret. Monies 87	0.00	0.00
Subtotal CHAP. I	109,898.97	-109,898.97

EARLY CHILD. SUMMER GRANT

Supplies	69.56	-69.56
Speech Therapy - Contr. Service	1,005.00	-1,005.00
Teacher/Dir.	1,540.00	-1,540.00
Trnsp. to/from Smr. Prog.	990.00	-990.00
Housing	100.00	-100.00
Ret'd Monies 87	45.44	-45.44
Subtotal EARLY CHILD. SUMMER GRANT	3,750.00	-3,750.00

EARLY CHILD. — SUMMER PROGRAM

Supplies	0.00	0.00
Speech Therapy	0.00	0.00
Teacher/Director	0.00	0.00
Teacher (3006-040)	0.00	0.00
To/from School (Vans)	0.00	0.00
Gasoline	0.00	0.00
Housing Costs	0.00	0.00
Ret'd Money	0.00	0.00
Subtotal EARLY CHILD. SUMMER GRANT	0.00	0.00

OC. ED. GRANT

Sup. Comp. Appl. Update	3,874.72	-3,874.72
Comp. Appl. Update	2,472.00	-2,472.00
Sup. BS. Careers Pl	546.00	-546.00
Sup. BS. Occupations Pl	282.00	-282.00
Sup. BS Train. Handicap	1,129.00	-1,129.00
Sup. BS Train./Disad.	2,184.00	-2,184.00
Subtotal OC. ED. GRANT	10,487.72	-10,487.72

PL VI-B

Prof. Staff '87	4,636.12	-4,636.12
Con. Serv. '87	1,842.84	-1,842.84
Ed. & Matls. '87	1,770.39	1,770.39
Other '87	549.00	-549.00
Return Monies	1,595.14	-1,595.14
Special NET 94-142 VIB Pur. Eq.	537.48	-537.48
Special NET 94-142 VIB - Other (Eq. Mo.)	148.13	-148.13
Instruc. Sup.	892.15	-892.15
Teacher Aide	546.00	-546.00
Program Evalu.	895.00	-895.00
SPED. Inserv. Train.	3,154.87	-3,154.87
Secretary Contr. - West Cnty. FY	77.00	-77.00
Eval. Team Chairperson	19,450.33	-19,450.33
Early Childhood Coordinator	19,840.94	-19,840.94
Med. Insurance	3,811.66	-3,811.66
West Cnty. - Life Ins.	13.40	-13.40
MA. Teacher Retire.	978.00	-978.00
Membership/Subscription	150.00	-150.00

Mileage 9701-06	568.26	-568.26
Lodging 9703-06	67.65	-67.65
Confer. Fees 9704-06	115.00	-115.00
W. Cnty. '88 Return Monies	0.00	0.00
Subtotal PL 94-142 VI-B	61,639.36	-61,639.36

Subtotal FEDERAL GRANT	215,221.32	-215,221.32
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APPROPRIATIONS

School Committee		
Sch. Com. Secretary	385.00	70.00
Constr. Serv. - Sch. Com.	70.00	9,930.00
Contr. Serv. - Legal	18,452.97	-12,452.97
Sch. Com. - Sup. & Mat.	575.78	-475.78
Sch. Com. - Dues, Travel	917.86	-417.86
Sch. Com. - Advertising	2,620.06	-1,620.06
Treasurer - Salary	0.00	4,832.00
Asst. Treas. Salary	0.00	200.00
Treas. - Contr. Services	2,834.09	165.91
Treas. - Supplies	976.63	-178.63
Treas. - Other Expenses	231.53	-146.53
Bonds - Treas.	329.00	-29.00
Subtotal SCHOOL COMMITTEE	27,394.92	-122.92

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Supt. & Assist. - Salary	22,205.99	9,060.01
Supt. Other Exp./Travel	2,219.30	-543.30
Bus. Mgr. Salary	14,849.33	-0.33
Bus. Mgr. - Other Exp./Travel	1,585.50	0.50
Office Mgr. - Salary	11,778.00	762.00
Ofc. Mgr. - Other Exp./Travel	126.48	-76.48
Secretary Salaries	46,702.84	-3,758.84
Secretary Substitutes	0.00	0.00
Contr. Ser. - Supt. Ofc.	8,242.53	-4,242.53
Supt. Ofc. - Sup. & Mat.	8,392.22	-892.22
Supt. Ofc. - Other Exp. Dues, etc.	622.05	77.95
Director of Planning	14,118.60	-14,118.60
Dir. of Plan. - Other Exp.	1,253.75	-1,253.75
Subtotal SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	132,096.59	-14,985.59

SUPERVISION SERVICES

Coordinator's Salary	18,694.37	-6,231.37
Dept. Head Salaries	8,701.83	-313.83
Coordinator's Supplies	296.13	83.87
Coordinator's Other Expen.	96.06	743.94
SPED Coordinator Salary	38,516.03	-952.03
SPED Coord. Secretary Sal.	3,869.54	3,160.46
SPED Contracted Services	386.00	-386.00
SPED Coord. Sup. & Matl.	2,167.56	-667.56
SPED Coord. Other Expenses	2,103.73	496.27
Subtotal SUPERVISION SERV.	74,831.25	-4,066.25

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Principal's Office	41,461.06	499.94
Prin. Secretaries Salaries	45,156.34	-3,140.34
Prin. Secr. Substitutes	891.61	-641.61
Prin. Ofc. - Contr. Serv.	3,177.45	1,072.55
Pr. Ofc. - Newsletters	968.21	-568.21
Pr. Ofc. - Genl. Supplies	8,447.28	-1,747.28
Pr. Ofc. - Other Expense	4,833.02	666.98
Pr. Ofc. - Student Exp.	182.50	-82.50
Prin. Ofc. - Graduation	1,267.29	-267.29
Asst. Princ. - Salary	26,299.08	10,714.92
Subtotal PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	132,683.84	6,507.16

TEACHING SERVICES

Teachers Salaries	1,239,720.26	10,300.74
Teachers Substitute Sals.	20,763.39	-4,763.39
Course Reimbursement	2,806.10	2,193.90
Chaperones	1,114.75	531.25
Pay Differentials	68,554.34	-1,910.34
Retirement Incentive	23,897.25	-897.25
Aides Salaries	35,649.08	-516.08
Aide Substitutes	2,821.44	-2,321.44
Instr. Contr. Services	0.00	4,290.00
General Supplies	14,374.22	-2,874.22
Teacher Other Expense	6,201.97	102.03
Trnsp. - Leased Bus	0.00	0.00
Lease Bus - Supplies & Materials	3,726.41	-726.41
Lease Bus - Other Expense	2.00	98.00
Field Trip Transp.	4,370.32	369.68
Driver Educ. - Salary	11,383.22	-2,127.22
Driver Educ. - Contr. Serv.	2,792.69	-592.69
Driver Educ. - Supplies	989.75	-439.75
Business Supplies	4,437.24	-377.24
English Supplies	1,670.31	1,197.69
Foreign Lang. - Supplies	1,409.41	-279.41
Hist./Soc. St. Sup.	1,898.88	580.12
Math - Supplies	1,781.58	-91.58
Phys. Ed. - Supplies	1,121.00	-320.00
Related Arts - Sup.	19,162.26	1,304.74
Science - Supplies	12,729.81	1,016.19
Print Shop - Supplies	6,672.77	-3,173.77
Middle School - Supplies	50.99	-50.99
Computer Science - Supplies	28.81	550.19
SPED - Teacher Salaries	69,350.61	11,755.39
SPED - Teacher Substitutes	805.00	-805.00
SPED - Home Instruction	7,575.11	-6,075.11
SPED - Teacher Aides	42,920.30	-4,186.30
SPED - Aide Subs.	162.50	-62.50
SPED - Contracted Services	1,707.70	1,292.30
SPED - Supplies	1,218.02	181.98
SPED - Other Expense	167.82	532.18

Subtotal TEACHING SERVICES	1,614,036.31	3,705.69
TEXTBOOK PROGRAMS		
Textbooks - Business	647.66	128.74
Textbooks - English	3,489.34	2,941.66
Textbooks - Foreign Language	685.73	399.27
Textbooks - History/Soc. Stu.	6,021.68	157.32
Textbooks - Math	4,304.96	-50.96
Textbooks - Phys. Ed.	306.55	293.45
Textbooks - Related Arts	775.65	1,239.35
Textbooks - Science	2,643.52	2,456.48
Textbooks - Computer Science	0.00	0.00
SPED - Textbooks	10.95	289.05
Subtotal TEXTBOOK PROGRAMS	18,886.04	7,853.96
LIBRARY SERVICES		
Librarian - Salary	31,020.91	0.09
Asst. Librarian & Aide Sals.	17,157.11	-1,529.11
Library Sub. - Asst. & Aides	590.00	-390.00
Library Supplies & Material	6,275.16	-275.16
Library - Other Expense	306.05	-6.05
Subtotal LIBRARY SERVICES	55,349.23	-2,200.23
AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICES		
A-V, Aide Salary	11,133.60	-1,063.60
A-V, Sup. & Materials	4,794.51	1,690.49
Subtotal AUDIO-VISUAL SERV.	15,928.11	626.89
GUIDANCE (STUDENT SERVICES)		
St. Services - Counselor Sal.	86,785.67	-4,081.67
St. Serv. - Secretary Salary	14,773.12	-400.12
St. Serv. - Secr. Sub.	0.00	60.00
St. Serv. - Contracted Se	2,330.75	-493.75
St. Serv. - Sup. & Matl.	1,849.51	1,998.49
St. Serv. - Other Expense	671.15	178.85
Subtotal GUIDANCE (STUDENT SERVICES)	106,410.20	-2,738.20
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES		
Psychologist - Salary	32,358.06	-2,438.06
Psych. - Contracted Serv.	1,971.50	1,028.50
Psych. - Supplies & Matl.	70.85	229.15
Psych. - Other Expense	360.64	-160.64
Subtotal PSYCHOLOGICAL SERV.	34,761.05	-1,341.05
ATTENDANCE SERVICES		
Attendance Officer - Salary	325.00	0.00
Attendance Ofcr. - Expense	0.00	75.00
Subtotal ATTENDANCE SERV.	325.00	75.00
HEALTH SERVICES		
Sch. Nurse - Substitute (Sal.)	496.25	-296.25

Physician - Salary	1,200.00	0.00
School Nurse - Salary	16,400.00	-2,620.00
Health Sup. & Materials	730.42	24.58
Other Expense - Health	369.20	-69.20
Subtotal HEALTH SERVICES	19,195.87	-2,960.87

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION 337

Contracted Serv. - Pupil Tr.	528,510.50	-97,010.50
Trnsp. - Late Bus	29.51	23,270.49
Trnsp. - Gasoline	45,719.20	8,580.80
Trnsp. - SPED Contr. Service	1,229.40	1,270.60
Trnsp. - Gas SPED	1,872.71	-1,512.71
Trnsp. - SPED Lease Van	0.00	640.00
Subtotal PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	577,361.32	-64,311.32

FOOD SERVICES

Cafe. Mgr. - Salary	9,500.00	0.00
Cafe. Workers - Holidays Etc.	0.00	0.00
Subtotal FOOD SERVICES	9,500.00	0.00

ATHLETIC SERVICES

Athletic Computer Payroll	3,727.40	-1,227.40
Athletic - Contr. Sals. (Ofcls.)	8,765.05	1,280.95
Athletic Transp.	1,081.09	-681.09
Athletic Supplies	21,341.17	-395.17
Athletic - Others (Rent Fees)	7,095.72	3,010.28
Athletic Insurance	1,000.00	200.00
Subtotal ATHLETIC SERVICES	43,010.43	2,187.57

CUSTODIAL SERVICES

Custodial - Salaries	130,046.20	-14,204.20
Custodial - Supplies & Matl.	18,610.78	-9,480.78
Custodial - Travel	305.78	194.22
Subtotal CUSTODIAL SERVICES	148,962.76	-23,490.76

HEATING OF BUILDINGS

Electric - Building	133,281.87	-9,181.87
Subtotal HEATING OF BUILDINGS	133,281.87	-9,181.87

UTILITY SERVICES

Sanitation - Removal	1,083.24	-1,083.24
Telephone (For Computer)	368.15	-18.15
Telephones - High School	5,600.56	-1,600.56
Telephone - Supt. Ofc. Computer	327.25	22.75
Telephone - Supt. Office	2,696.97	303.03
Subtotal UTILITY SERVICES	10,076.17	-2,376.17

MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS

Apprp. Only for Yds -		
Grounds - Sups. (Spend)	0.00	5,000.00
Yds. - Grnds/Custodial Salaries	175.38	-175.38

Yds. and Grnds. - Contr. Serv.	462.72	-462.72
Yards & Grounds - Supplies	5,921.24	-5,921.24
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS	6,559.34	-1,559.34

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS

Sch. Bldg. Contr. Service	15,676.89	2,673.11
Sch. Bldg. Maint. Supplies	11,148.90	-2,548.90
Energy Conservation	1,760.64	739.36
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS	28,586.43	863.57

MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT

Bldg. Equip. Contracted	23,622.08	-21,789.08
Bldg. Equip. Maint. Supp.	2,961.46	3,444.54
H.S. Equip. Maint. Repair	11,528.88	812.12
Supt's Equip. Maint. and	75.39	374.61
Bldg. Equip - Maint. Sup.	4,394.39	-4,394.39
Subtotal MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	42,582.20	-21,552.20

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT

Fr. Cty. Retirement	72,141.00	-16.00
FICA Medicare Tax	6,474.16	-2,474.16
Subtotal EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	78,615.16	-2,490.16

INSURANCE PROGRAMS

All Other Insurances	31,392.00	13,583.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,607.56	1,392.44
Health & Dental Insurance (BC/BS and HMO)	131,421.11	-3,467.11
Boston Mutual Life Insurance	651.24	-91.24
Subtotal INSURANCE PROGRAMS	165,071.91	11,417.09

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Community Services	0.00	40.00
Subtotal CIVIC ACTIVITIES	0.00	40.00

PRIVATE SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Private School Transp.	0.00	4,500.00
Subtotal PRIVATE SCHOOL TRANSP.	0.00	4,500.00

ACQUISITION/IMPROVEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

H.S. New Equipment	27,982.98	-12,930.98
SPED - New Equipment	519.35	-319.35
Supt. Office - New Equipment	2,623.90	-2,123.90
Subtotal ACQUISITION/ IMPROVEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	31,126.23	-15,374.23

REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

H.S. Replacement Equip.	12,099.29	5,814.71
Supt. Ofc. Replacement Equipment	7,559.00	-6,059.00
Subtotal REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	19,658.29	-244.29

DEBT RETIREMENT (PRINCIPAL)		
Principal - Debt. Retirement	0.00	0.00
Subtotal DEBT RETIREMENT (PRINCIPAL)	0.00	0.00
DEBT RETIREMENT (INTEREST)		
Interest - Debt Retirement	0.00	0.00
Subtotal DEBT RETIREMENT (INTEREST)	0.00	0.00
PROGRAMS W/SCHOOLS IN MASS.		
Programs - Mass. Schools	0.00	0.00
Subtotal PROGRAMS W/SCHOOLS IN MASS.	0.00	0.00
PROGRAMS WITH OTHER STATES		
Out-of-State Sch. Programs	7,472.00	128.00
Subtotal PROGRAMS WITH OTHER STATES	7,472.00	128.00
PROGRAMS W/NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS		
Non-Public School Programs	0.00	0.00
Subtotal PROGRAMS W/NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS	0.00	0.00
PAYMENTS TO COLLABORATIVES		
Collaborative Programs	560.00	-60.00
Subtotal PAYMENTS TO COLLABORATIVES	560.00	-60.00
Subtotal APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,534,322.52	\$-131,150.52
REVOLVING		
SUPERVISION SERVICES		
Encumb. Sal. - Dept. Heads	655.02	-655.02
Subtotal SUPERVISION SERVICES	655.02	-655.02
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE		
Sal. Encumb. - Pr. Secr., Substitutes	65.00	-65.00
Enc. Sal. - Asst. Principal 86-87	4,198.28	-4,198.28
Subtotal PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	4,263.28	-4,263.28
TEACHING SERVICES		
Encumbr. Sal. - Teachers	109,565.45	-109,565.45
Encumbr. - Teachers Substitutes	292.50	-292.50
Enc. Sals. - Pay Differentials 86-87	6,034.60	-6,034.60
Enc. Sals. - Teachers Aides 86-87	1,998.72	-1,998.72
Encumbr. Sal. - Sp. Ed.	11,875.28	-11,875.28
Enc. Sals. - SPED Tchr. Aides 86-87	2,192.83	-2,192.83
Subtotal TEACHING SERVICES	131,959.38	-131,959.38

LIBRARY SERVICES		
Encumb. Sal.-Asst. Libr./Aides 86-87	1,240.40	-1,240.40
Subtotal LIBRARY SERVICES	1,240.40	-1,240.40
GUIDANCE (STUDENT SERVICES)		
Encumb. Sals. - Student Service	11,533.32	-11,533.32
Subtotal GUIDANCE (STUDENT SERVICES)	11,533.32	-11,533.32
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES		
Encumb. Sal. - Psychologist	2,850.00	-2,850.00
Subtotal PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	2,850.00	-2,850.00
MISC. IN AND OUT ACCOUNT		
Miscellaneous In and Out	431,073.18	-431,073.18
Elevator - Special Acct.	91,515.00	-91,515.00
Science Lab & Lavatory Spec. Acct.	21,880.00	-21,880.00
Special In and Out	4,329.06	-4,329.06
Subtotal MISC. IN AND OUT ACCOUNT	548,797.24	-548,797.24
ASBESTOS ACCOUNT		
Asbestos Account	51,679.60	-51,679.60
Subtotal ASBESTOS ACCOUNT	51,679.60	-51,679.60
ATHLETIC REVOLVING		
Ath. Rev. - Payroll	1,444.33	-1,444.33
Ath. Rev. - Constr. Serv. (No P/R)	3,835.00	-3,835.00
Ath. Rev. - Matl./Supplies	0.00	0.00
Ath. Rev. - All Others	0.00	0.00
Subtotal ATHLETIC REVOLVING	5,279.33	-5,279.33
BAND REVOLVING		
Band Rev. - Payroll	0.00	0.00
Band Rev. - Contracted Service	105.00	-105.00
Band Rev. - Matl. & Sup.	585.39	-585.39
Band Rev. - All Others	75.00	-75.00
Subtotal BAND REVOLVING	765.39	-765.39
CH. 750		
Enc. Sals. - Ch. 750 Lea. Incent. 86-87	653.24	-653.24
Subtotal CH. 750	653.24	-653.24
ROTATING SALARIES ACCOUNT		
Rotating Salaries Account	131,446.60	-131,446.60
Subtotal ROTATING SALARIES ACCOUNT	131,446.60	-131,446.60
Subtotal REVOLVING	891,122.60	-891,122.60
STATE GRANT CHAPTER 188		
Dir. Sal. - Sure C188 Remedial Essential Skills	1,682.00	-1,682.00

Clerical - Sure C188 Remedial		
Essential Skills	72.00	-72.00
Conf. - Instate/Sure C188 Remedial		
Essential Skills	12.96	-12.96
Teacher Sal. - Sure C188 Remedial		
Essential Skills	18,721.25	-18,721.25
Instr. Sup. - Sure C188 Remedial		
Essential Skills	1,506.03	-1,506.03
Instr. Conf/Trav.-C188 Essential Skills	212.89	-212.89
Med. Ins.-Sure Remedial Essential Skills	0.00	0.00
Intl. Ins. Sure C188 Remedial Essential Skills	104.02	-104.02
Life Ins. - Sure C188 Remedial		
Essential Skills	0.00	0.00
FICA/Sure C188 Remed. Essent. Skill	175.60	-175.60
Essen. Sk. Ret'd Monies - Ch. 188 (Sure)	549.25	-549.25
Health-Return Monies FY88 Ch. 188	20.12	-20.12
Ch. 188 Compr. Health & Human Services	4,979.88	-4,979.88
Ch. 188 - Horace Mann-5 Progs. FY88	7,169.98	-7,169.98
Professional Development	10,657.00	-10,657.00
Ch. 188 - School Improv. Grant	11,646.00	-11,646.00
Subtotal CHAPTER 188	57,508.98	-57,508.98
CH. 645		
Ch. 645 Comput. - Energy Conserv.	1,173.84	-1,173.84
Subtotal CH. 645	1,173.84	-1,173.84
CH. 750		
Ch. 750-Lea-88-Instructional Sals.	6,604.65	-6,604.65
Ch. 750-Lea-88-Other Costs/Serv. Co.	1,452.60	-1,452.60
Ch. 750-Lea-88 Supplies	99.09	-99.09
Ch. 750-Lea-87 Indirect Costs	436.65	-436.65
Ch. 750-Lea-88 Indirect Cost	519.35	-519.35
Ret. Money-FY88 Ch. 750 Lea Incent.	1,286.31	-1,286.31
Subtotal Ch. 750	10,398.65	-10,398.65
COMM. INSERVICE GRANTS		
Chld. Lit. Surv. 1 (Consult CJB)	2,000.00	-2,000.00
Chld. Lit. Surv. 1/Mat. (CJB)	500.00	-500.00
Chld. Lit. Surv. 1/Convenor (CJB)	50.00	-50.00
Ch. Lit. Surv.-2 Consult. (JM)	2,000.00	-2,000.00
Chld. Lit. Surv. 2/Matl. (JM)	500.00	-500.00
Chld. Lit. Surv. 2-Convenor (JM)	50.00	-50.00
Ed. Plan.-Consultant/Travel	2,084.42	-2,084.42
Ed. Plan - Materials	501.95	-501.95
Ed. Plan. - Convenor: Rent	50.00	-50.00
Ed. Plan. - Ret. Monies to Commonw	40.63	-40.63
Subtotal COMMONWEALTH		
INSERVICE GRANTS	7,777.00	-7,777.00
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS GRANT		
Drug Free Schools-Grant Gov. Alliance	2,780.21	-2,780.21

Subtotal DRUG FREE SCHOOLS GRANT	2,780.21	-2,780.23
ED. TECH. GRANT — CAP. IMPROVEMENTS		
Educational Tech. Capital Imprv.	1,915.00	-1,915.00
Subtotal ED. TECH. GRANT — CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	1,915.00	-1,915.00
EQUAL ED. OPPOR. GRANT		
Equal Ed. Opportunity Grant	3,498.00	-3,498.00
Subtotal EQ. ED. OPPOR. GRANT	3,498.00	-3,498.00
EESA TITLE II — MATH CONSORTORIUM		
EESA Title II-Consort. Imprv. Math-Science	297.00	-297.00
Subtotal EESA TITLE II - MATH CONSORTORIUM	297.00	-297.00
MA. ELDER ENERGY GRANT		
Energy Grant	15,464.98	-15,464.98
Subtotal MA. ELDER ENERGY GRANT	15,464.98	-15,464.98
LONG RANGE ED. PLAN. GRANT		
Long Range Ed. Planning-Incent. AI	10,250.00	-10,250.00
Subtotal LONG RANGE ED. PLAN GRANT	10,250.00	-10,250.00
OPPORTUN/CHALLENGE GRANT		
Oppor/Chal. Supvs. 88	3,720.00	-3,720.00
Subtotal OPPORTUNITY/ CHALLENGE GRANT	3,720.00	-3,720.00
Subtotal STATE GRANT	114,783.66	-114,783.66
PAYROLL DEDUCTION		
HEALTH & DENTAL		
BC/BS Dental - Employee	6,606.23	-6,606.23
BC/BS Dental - Others	643.31	-643.31
BC/BS Ins. - Employee	38,909.27	-38,909.27
BC/BS Ins. - Others	20,853.63	-20,853.63
Subtotal HEALTH & DENTAL	67,012.44	-67,012.44
ACCIDENT DISABILITY INSURANCES		
Benef. Consult. Accident In.	0.00	0.00
Benefit Con. Ins. - Others	0.00	0.00
Subtotal ACCIDENT DISABILITY INSURANCES	0.00	0.00
LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAM		
Bost. Mut. Life - Employees	238.52	-238.52
Bost. Mut. Life - Others	138.70	-138.70
Subtotal LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAM	377.22	-377.22

CAFETERIA REVOLVING		
Cafe. Union Dues	998.00	-998.00
Subtotal CAFETERIA REVOLVING	998.00	-998.00
CREDIT UNION		
Credit Union	118,312.84	-118,312.84
Subtotal CREDIT UNION	118,312.84	-118,312.84
DIRECT DEPOSITS		
Direct Deposits (Emps. Sals. to Banks)	187,657.61	-187,657.61
Subtotal DIRECT DEPOSITS	187,657.61	-187,657.61
FEDERAL WITHHOLDING TAXES		
Federal Taxes	306,459.63	-306,459.63
Subtotal FEDERAL WITHHOLDING TAXES	306,459.63	-306,459.63
FICA TAX MEDICARE TAX		
FICA Tax - Medicare	7,082.85	-7,082.85
Subtotal FICA TAX MEDICARE TAX	7,082.85	-7,082.85
FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FRC		
Franklin County Retirement	41,435.38	-41,435.38
Subtotal FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT	41,435.38	-41,435.38
GARNISHMENTS ON SALARIES		
Garnishments	6,135.06	-6,153.06
Subtotal GARNISHMENTS ON SALARIES	6,153.06	-6,153.06
MEDICAL INSURANCE HMO		
HMO Health Ins. - Employees & Others	2,665.34	-2,665.34
Subtotal MEDICAL INS. HMO	2,665.34	-2,665.34
STATE TAX WITHHOLDINGS		
State Taxes	110,503.08	-110,503.08
Subtotal STATE TAX WITHHOLDINGS	110,503.08	-110,503.08
TEACHER RETIRE/TEACHER PROF. DUES		
Teacher Prof. Dues	14,048.40	-14,048.40
MA. Teacher Retirement	110,173.02	-110,173.02
Subtotal TEACHER RETIRE/ TEACHER PROF. DUES	124,221.42	-124,221.42
TAX SHELTER ANNUITIES		
Tax Sheltered Annuities	76,957.01	-76,957.01
Subtotal TAX SHELTER ANNUITIES	76,957.01	-76,957.01
UNITED WAY-EMPLOYEE CONTRIB.		
United Way - Employee With.	134.22	-134.22
Subtotal UNITED WAY - EMPLOYEE CONTRIB.	134.22	-134.22

DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE		
Washington Insurance	471.64	-471.64
Subtotal DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE	471.64	-471.64
Subtotal PAYROLL DEDUCTION	105,441.74	-105,441.74
VOC. BROKERING		
SCHOOL COMMITTEE 110		
Mohawk Trail Regl. School Distr.		
School Committee 110		
Voc. Advertising Expense	88.73	-88.73
Subtotal SCHOOL COMMITTEE	88.73	-88.73
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION		
Voc. Trnsp. Contr. Services	93,733.20	-93,733.20
Voc. Trns. Gas for Buses	0.00	0.00
Subtotal PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	93,733.20	-93,733.20
DEBT RETIREMENT (PRINCIPAL)		
Principal - Debt Retirement	745,000.00	-745,000.00
Subtotal DEBT RETIREMENT (PRINCIPAL)	745,000.00	-745,000.00
DEBT RETIREMENT (INTEREST)		
Interest - Debt. Retirement	43,526.25	-43,526.25
Subtotal DEBT RETIREMENT (INTEREST)	43,526.25	-43,526.25
PROGRAMS W/SCHOOLS IN MASS.		
Tuition - Voc.	122,276.56	-122,276.56
Subtotal PROGRAMS W/SCHOOL IN MASS.	122,276.56	-122,276.56
MISC. IN AND OUT ACCOUNT		
Voc. Loan Rollover	280,000.00	-280,000.00
Voc-Special Account (To be Repaid)	135,824.00	-135,824.00
Subtotal MISC. IN AND OUT ACCT	415,824.00	-415,824.00
Subtotal VOC. BROKERING	1,420,448.74	-1,420,448.74

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1988

After Transfers

ASSETS:

Cash, United Bank, NOW	\$ 21,925.40
M.M.D.T.	418,686.49
M.M.D.T., Asbestos	241,692.76
United Bank, EOER	<u>(605.34)</u>
	\$681,699.31

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:

Asbestos, Fund Balance	\$241,692.76
Asbestos, Loans Outstanding	285,000.00
Asbestos, Loans Offset	(285,000.00)
Asbestos, Expense	
Asbestos, Interest Receipts	
Asbestos, Other Receipts	

Accounts Receivable:

Town of Ashfield	
Town of Buckland	
Town of Charlemont	
Town of Colrain	
Town of Hawley	
Town of Heath	
Town of Plainfield	
Town of Shelburne	

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS:

Blue Cross/ Blue Shield	\$ 5,902.24
Direct Deposits	<u>(.60)</u>

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Others

Cafeteria, School Lunch	\$ 6,618.10
Meal Tax	<u>2.63</u>

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Chapter 70	
Regional Aid	
Transportation	
Other State Aid	

Music Fund	164.55
Athletic Fund	434.73

Tuition Receipts	Grants **	26,489.62
TOTAL ASSETS:	Estimated Receipts	
	Interest	
	Miscellaneous	
	Driver Education	2,250.00
	Tuition	
	Comm. of Mass.	
	Rotating Salaries	1,858.29
	Elevator/Handicapped Project	89,686.10
	999 Account	(14,311.29)
	Unrestricted Surplus	44,266.71
	Restricted Surplus	100,500.00
	School Budget Balance	
	Encumbered Salaries	<u>175,496.94</u>
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	
	AND RESERVES:	<u>\$681,699.31</u>

\$681,699.31

\$ 3,730.60

Grant Balances:
Chapter I '88
Chapter I

Title VI B'88	8,534.74
Title VI B	
Adaptive P.E. '88	(2,353.88)
Adaptive P.E.	
Block Grant '87	112.35
Block Grant '88	665.01
Block Grant	
Occupational Ed.	243.28
E.O.E.R.	(605.34)
Computer Energy	(10,422.34)
Long Range Planning	9,750.00
Essential Skills	
Essential Skills	
Childhood Planning	2,400.00
LEA 750 Incentive	
Horace Mann '88	1.02
Professional Dev.	
CII Educ. Planning	
School Improvement	
Gifted and Talented	
Electronic Mailing Gr.	199.39
Equal Education Opportunity	
Health and Human Services	
Drug Free Schools	
	<u>14,234.79</u>
	\$26,489.62

Mohawk Trail Regional School District Vocational Account

Balance Sheet as of June 10, 1988

After Transfers

ASSETS:

Cash, M.M.D.T.
St. Street

\$ 87,234.04
14,795.69

Loan Offset

\$102,029.73

525,000.00

TOTAL ASSETS:

\$627,029.73

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:

Notes Payable

\$525,000.00

Expenses:

Interest Payments

Tuition Payments

Transportation Payments

Miscellaneous

Loan Payments

Estimated Receipts:

Interest Earned

Town Receipts

Comm. of Mass.

Loans

Miscellaneous

Fund Balance:

102,029.73

TOTAL LIABILITIES
AND RESERVES

\$627,029.73

List of Appropriations — Fiscal 1989

The following is a true list of Appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 7, 1988:

	Transfers	Borrowing	Taxation	Available Funds
Administrative Assistant				
Assessors' Expenses (Free Cash)				\$ 12,200.00
Assessors' Revaluation			\$ 20,600.00	
Audit & Accountant Services			5,000.00	
Belding Memorial Library			2,750.00	
Belding Library Renovations			6,500.00	
Blue Cross/Blue Shield			30,000.00	
Bonds			11,500.00	
Building Inspector Program			700.00	
Care of Soldiers' Graves (Rev. Sharing)			9,672.00	
Chapter 199 — Const. FY '88	\$ 29,703.00		10,297.00	350.00
Chapter 206 — Const. FY '87	28,978.00		11,022.00	
Chapter 497 — Gen. Highway			35,000.00	
Flood Repairs — April '87 Flood (Free Cash)				60,000.00
Burnett Bridge Repairs (Free Cash)				5,000.00
Circuit Rider Program			2,500.00	
Civil Defense Expenses			100.00	
Community Development Commission			100.00	
Conservation Commission			200.00	
Council on Aging (Rev. Sharing)				735.00
Dog Officer Expenses			150.00	
Elections			900.00	
Fires & Equipment			13,740.00	

F.C. Dispatch Center (Free Cash)
 Health, Board of
 Heating — Town Hall & Fire Station
 Highway Dept. — Paid Vacations & Holidays

 Highway Pickup
 Highway Superintendent's Salary
 Historical Commission
 Inspector of Animals
 Insurance — Pub. Off. Liability
 Insurance — Town Buildings & Equip.
 Interest & Principal — Grader Loan
 (\$4,686.57 + \$15,530.00)
 Interest on Loans
 Interest — Sewer Loans (Free Cash)
 Lifeguard & Swimming Instruction
 Machinery Expenses
 Medicare
 Memorial Day
 Nursing & Health Services
 Office — Clerical
 Office Expenses
 Parks & Beach
 Planning Board Expenses
 Police Chief's Salary
 Police Department
 Registrars of Voters
 Rent of Hydrants
 Reserve Fund (Free Cash)
 Retirement System, Maint.

8,600.00

3,000.00
 3,400.00
 8,300.00
 2,500.00
 18,112.00
 25,000.00
 200.00
 125.00
 3,100.00
 33,000.00

20,216.57
 2,500.00

10,000.00

5,000.00
 40,000.00
 1,000.00
 500.00
 100.00
 2,500.00
 4,500.00
 2,270.00
 1,155.00
 20,000.00
 19,000.00
 500.00
 1,302.70

5,000.00

17,801.00

Schools — Ashfield Plainfield Reg.
 —Mohawk Trail Reg. High School
 Stabilization Fund (Free Cash)
 Street Lights
 Street Lists
 Tax Collector's Expenses
 Town Clerk's Expenses
 Town Counsel
 Town Hall, Maintenance
 Struct. Repair/Painting (Fred Cross Fund)
 Interior Renovation
 Town Officers (Free Cash)
 Town Reports & Valuation Lists
 Transfer Station
 Treasurer's Expenses
 Tree Warden
 Unemployment Compensation
 Veterans' Benefits
 Veterans' Center
 Winter Roads
 Wiring & Plumbing Inspector Program
 Workmen's Compensation

218,255.00	
333,867.41	
	65,000.00
5,000.00	
450.00	
2,338.00	
750.00	
4,000.00	
2,500.00	
	3,000.00
2,000.00	
	13,850.00
4,000.00	
62,500.00	
750.00	
3,000.00	
500.00	
100.00	
2,614.95	
55,000.00	
7,332.12	
8,554.00	
<u>\$1,109,324.75</u>	
	<u>\$ 183,735.00</u>

<u>\$ 58,681.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL: \$1,351,740.75

Special Meeting, November 7, 1988
 Rescinded vote of Art. 2 Mtg. of 9/28/85

(\$4,500)

Feasibility Study — W. end Ashfield Lake
Feasibility Study of sewage systems (Free Cash)

\$ 58,681.00	\$1,109,324.75	3,900.00
		\$ 187,635.39

Special Meeting, January 30, 1989

Town Counsel (Free Cash) 4,000.00
Medicare (Free Cash) 700.00
Police Department (Free Cash) 4,500.00

Rescinded vote of Art. 7 Mtg. of 5/02/87

Borrowing authority — Motor Grader (\$8,350)

\$ 58,681.00	\$1,109,324.75	\$ 196,835.00
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ATTEST:

ELEANOR M. WARD, Town Clerk

Town Meeting Warrant

NOTE: This Warrant is for the voter's information only and changes, additions and/or deletions may occur prior to the posting of the Official Warrant.

FRANKLIN, SS:

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ashfield in the County of Franklin, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Ashfield, on Saturday, the sixth day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator, Auditor, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tree Warden, all for One year terms. A Selectman, Assessor, Two Finance Committee Members, Sanderson School Committee Member, Mohawk Trail School Committee Member, Board of Health Member, Park Commissioner and Three Constables, all for Three year terms. A Park Commissioner, Planning Board Member and a Library Trustee, all to fill unexpired terms of One year each and a Planning Board Member to fill an unexpired Four year term. A Library Trustee and a Planning Board Member, each for a Five year term. A Finance Committee Member to fill a One year unexpired term and the following question: 1. "Shall the Town of Ashfield be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to purchase a pumper/-tanker fire truck for the Ashfield Fire Department to be voted under Article 27 at the Annual Meeting, May 6, 1989?" Polls may close at 6:00 P.M.

Article 2. To act on the reports of the Town Officers.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain on behalf of the Town the property owned by Dorothy D. Craft described in deed of Grace E. Ranney to Dorothy D. Craft and Donald D. Craft, dated April 26, 1955 in Book 1019, Page 288, and, in addition, to appropriate the sum of \$33,900.00 from the Stabilization Fund for the purpose of making said purchase or taking.

Said property being a parcel of land situated in said Ashfield containing three (3) acres, more or less, known as the Pfersick lot and bounded and described as follows:

Situated mostly on a high knoll or bluff and south of the mow lot formerly of John F. Pfersick and bounded on the west by the road that leads southerly by the residence now or formerly of said Pfersick southerly to Plain Village; on the south by land now or formerly of Chandler Bronson; on the east by land now or formerly of Alvan Hall; and on the north by the line of Mill Brook as it now runs through the mow lot now or formerly of said John Pfersick. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$84,000.00 to operate and maintain the Transfer Station, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to join in the establishment of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC), together with some or all of the following towns: Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield, Southampton, Hatfield, Westhampton, Williamsburg, Worthington, for the purpose of developing and implementing options for the disposal of solid waste and to accept a certain Memorandum of Understanding among the towns as presented to the Selectmen of the Town of Ashfield, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$6,000.00 for the annual operational and administrative expenses of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC), or take any other action relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000.00 for Winter Roads, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 in anticipation of partial reimbursement under Chapter 497 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971, as amended, and transfer into a General Highway Fund, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 for construction, reconstruction and improvement of roads under Chapter 15, Acts of 1988, and to meet such appropriation, raise and appropriate the town's share of \$20,956.00 and borrow the State's share of \$59,044.00, said funds being Chapter 15, Acts of 1988, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$48,366.59 from Free Cash to purchase a new Truck (\$42,023.59) and Sander (\$6,343.00) for the Highway Dept., or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 for the 1989 Fiscal Year Machinery Expense account to be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,000.00 to pay the salary of the Highway Superintendent, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,065.51 to pay the principal (\$15,530.00) and interest (\$3,535.51) due on the Highway Grader Loan, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$3,000.00 for repairs to the bridge over the South River which connects the State Highway, Route 116, to the property owned by Josephine Burnett as shown on Assessors' Map #8-5, lot #6, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any used Town Owned Equipment and/or property, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,700.00 as the Town's share of the Shared Administrative Assistant's Program, to accept any other funds as may be available to support said program during Fiscal Year 1990, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$ 15,000.00
Bonds	800.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves	350.00
Council on Aging	1,147.00
Dog Officer Expenses	150.00
Elections	600.00
Health, Board of	3,750.00
Heating Town Hall & Station	3,800.00
Inspector of Animals	150.00
Interest on Loans	3,500.00
Medicare	2,500.00
Memorial Day	500.00
Registrars of Voters	500.00
Retirement System	20,131.00
Street Lights	6,642.00
Street Lists	450.00
Town Counsel	7,000.00
Town Hall	3,750.00
Town Reports	3,000.00
Tree Warden	3,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00
Veterans' Center	3,065.60

TOTAL: \$80,385.60

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100.00 for Civil Defense Expenses, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Highway Dept. — Paid Vacations & Holidays	\$ 5,000.00
Highway Dept. — Sick Leave	2,000.00
Insurance — Public Official Liability	3,180.00
Insurance — Town Buildings & Equipment	29,727.00

Workmen's Compensation	8,850.00
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TOTAL: \$48,757.00

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,917.00 for use of the Planning Board; the sum of \$1,717.00 to be used for General Expenses and the sum of \$200.00 to be used in conjunction with any State monies received to develop an Open Space & Recreation Plan, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Audit & accounting service	\$ 2,750.00
Administrative Assistant/Accountant	24,000.00
Appeals, Board of	470.00
Conservation Commission	200.00
Historical Commission	300.00
Office Expenses	4,900.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	4,748.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00
Treasurer's Expenses	1,500.00

TOTAL: \$39,618.00

(Majority of the Finance Committee recommends the sum of \$22,660.00 for Adm. Ass't/Acc't; recommends all other accounts as printed)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$14,500.00 to pay for an IBM compatible computer system and computer software programs for the purpose of computerization of the town records, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,910.00 for Assessors' Expenses, or act relative thereto (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,820.60 to pay our share of the dispatching costs of the Franklin County Emergency Dispatch Center, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for payment towards the principal of the Sewer Loan and the sum of \$4,533.75 for payment of interest due, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,785.00 for Fires & Equipment, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$100,00.00 as provided under Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, and appropriate and transfer the sum of \$41,900.00 from the Stabilization Fund, a total of \$141,900.00, in order to purchase a Pumper/Tanker Fire Truck for the Fire Department, or act relative thereto. (Majority of the Finance Committee does not recommend this article)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1989, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1989-1990 under the provision of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985; said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield School Committee for direct service expenditures, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1989-1990 under the provision of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985; said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1989-1990 under the provision of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985; said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Mohawk Trail Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$378,937.05 (Capital, \$3,043.07; Operating, \$325,612.50; Vocational Brokering, \$50,281.48) to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1990 Capital, Operating and Vocational Brokering cost budget for the Mohawk Trail Regional School District, or act relative thereto. (Finance Committee recommends the sum of \$364,267.05)

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$246,068.00 to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1990 Operating cost budget of the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,679.60 to pay the Town's share of the cost for additional space and furnishings for the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District for the school year 1989-1990, or act relative thereto. (Finance Committee recommends that this appropriation come from School Revenues rather than the Town Revenues.)

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,675.00 for Park & Beach operations and maintenance, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a Lifeguard and Swimming Instruction for the Town Beach, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following sums of money from Free Cash to pay the salaries of the Town Officers:

Chairman, Selectmen	\$ 1,000.00
Two Selectmen @800.00 each	1,600.00

Chairman, Assessors	1,000.00
Two Assessors @800.00 each	1,600.00
Treasurer	4,000.00
Tax Collector	3,000.00
Town Clerk	3,000.00
Civil Defense Director	300.00
Fire Chief	600.00
Dog Officer	400.00
Moderator	100.00
Three Members, Board of Health	
@300.00 each	900.00
Chairman, School Comm.	200.00
Two Members, School Comm.	
@150.00 each	300.00
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Total: \$18,000.00

(Finance Committee recommends the sum of \$5,500.00 for Tax Collector; recommends all other accounts as printed.)

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to pay for renovation and painting of the Town Hall, and to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to draw on the Frederick A. Cross General Purpose Fund for this amount, and in addition, to accept any monies and/or grants which may be received for this purpose, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize Selectmen to contract with the Ashfield Water District for the use of hydrants for fire protection and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,693.52 for that purpose. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash for a Reserve Fund, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 1988 Ambulance Earnings & Gifts in the amount of \$3,449.00 deposited in the Ambulance Maintenance Fund to be used to maintain and equip the Town Ambulance, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to pay the salary of the Police

Chief, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,050.00 to be used for the general operations of the Police Department, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw from the Franklin County Plumbing and/or Wiring Program at the end of the Fiscal Year 1989, or take any action relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

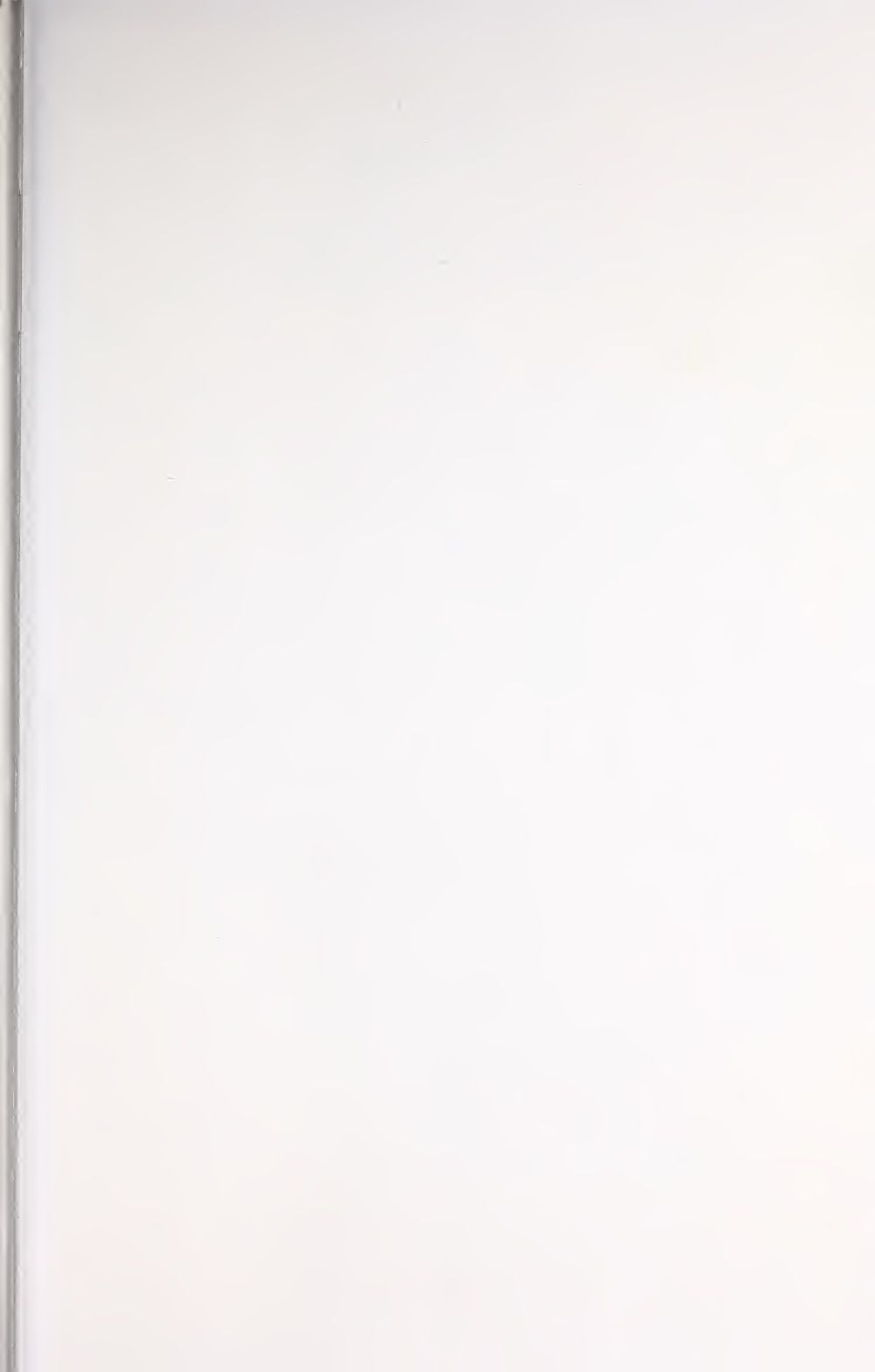
Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$21,513.65 from Free Cash to pay Ashfield's share of the Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$8,400.00 for the general operations of the Belding Memorial Library as well as to accept any other State or Federal Aid, and to meet such appropriation, transfer the sum of \$1,000.00 from the Dog Refund and raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,400.00, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

THOMAS S. CARTER
DALE A. KIRKPATRICK
ROBERT ROBERTSON
Board of Selectmen









1989

ANNUAL REPORT



TOWN of ASHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS



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OF THE TOWN OF
ASHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS



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UNITED STATES SENATORS

Edward M. Kennedy, Boston
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Washington, D.C. 20510

John Kerry, Boston
Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Silvio O. Conte, Pittsfield
2300 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

GOVERNOR

Michael S. Dukakis, Brookline

STATE SENATOR

John W. Olver, Amherst
Room 511, State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Jonathan L. Healy, Charlemont
Room 33, State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Margaret Striebel, Chairman, Gill
Term expires January, 1993

William D. Benson, Greenfield
Term expires January, 1991

Gregory P. Wells, Conway
Term expires January, 1993

Town Officers

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors hold regular weekly meetings every Tuesday evening at the Town Offices in the Town Hall from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

MODERATOR

MICHAEL E. C. GERY

1 yr. terms

AUDITOR

GEORGE C. MONK

TOWN CLERK

C. LORRAINE GORDON

TREASURER

JANET M. SWEM

TREE WARDEN

RAMON R. SEARS

TAX COLLECTOR 3 yr. term

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1991

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 yr. term

THOMAS S. CARTER, Chairman

Term expires 1990

DALE A. KIRKPATRICK (Resigned 10/24/89)

THOMAS A. McCRUMM (Elected 1/6/90)

Term expires 1991

NANCY A. ANDERSON

Term expires 1992

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 3 yr. term

RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Term expires 1990

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1991

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chairman

Term expires 1992

FINANCE COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

ALAN W. LILLY, Chairman

Term expires 1990

WILLIAM S. FAIRCHILD

Term expires 1990

JUDITH M. GRAVES

Term expires 1991

SUZANNE M. CORBETT (Resigned 5/15/89)

Term expires 1992

THOMAS G. CRANSTON (App't 6/6/89-5/5/90)

PATRICIA D. LIBBY

Term expires 1992

SANDERSON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

DAVID W. MAGEE III

Term expires 1990

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Chairman

Term expires 1991

ANDREA OCIESA SEARS

Term expires 1992

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

THOMAS ULRICH

Term expires 1992

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Representative from Ashfield

BOARD OF HEALTH 3 yr. term

BRUCE A. BENNETT, Chairman

Term expires 1990

HARRY L. DODSON

Term expires 1991

THOMAS S. LEUE

Term expires 1992

CONSTABLES 3 yr. term

JOHN A. LaBELLE	Term expires 1992
STEVEN W. GREENMAN	Term expires 1992
GARY M. SIBILIA	Term expires 1992

PARK COMMISSIONERS 3 yr. term

DANA A. McNAY	Term expires 1990
HOLLY M. TIRRELL	Term expires 1991
KENNETH W. RILLINGS	Term expires 1992

PLANNING BOARD 5 yr. term

RICHARD M. CHANDLER	Term expires 1990
ANNE YURYAN	Term expires 1991
MARY FITZ-GIBBON, Chr. (Resigned 12/21/89)	Term expires 1992
M. DIANNE MULLER (App't 1/16/90-5/5/90)	
GRACE E. LESURE	Term expires 1993
MARK P. SPEES	Term expires 1994

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 5 yr. term

MAURICE ISSERMAN	Term expires 1990
NOAH GORDON, Chr. (Resigned 12/8/89)	Term expires 1991
DONALD FITZGERALD (App't 12/19/89-5/5/90)	
RICHARD M. EVANS	Term expires 1992
DIANA M. BENNETT	Term expires 1993
MARY S. LUCAS	Term expires 1994

The following offices are filled by Appointment:

BOARD OF APPEALS

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY	June 1990
CLAYTON C. CRAFT	June 1991
WILLIAM H. SCHEIBER, Assoc.	June 1991
JOHN F. McNIFF, Chr.	June 1992
KENNETH LILLY, Assoc.	June 1992

ARTS COUNCIL

J. WILLIAM HOTH	June 1990
NANCY L. RILLINGS	June 1990
RUTH K. ZENICK	June 1990
SANDRA J. CARTER	June 1990
JANE F. LUND	June 1990
NORMAN L. RUSSELL, Chr.	June 1990
STEVEN P. SMITHERS	June 1991
ELICE D. PIEROPAN	June 1991

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

DEANNE BROCHU, Chr.	June 1990
THOMAS ULRICH	June 1990
RUTH J. CRAFT, Sec. (Resigned 6/1/89)	
RICHARD TURNER (App't 6/20/89)	June 1991
SUSAN McGOWAN, Treas.	June 1992
ANNE YURYAN	June 1992

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ALAN G. SURPRENANT, Chr.	June 1990
MARY K. WIGMORE (Resigned 1/17/90)	
KENNETH L. ROBERTS	June 1991
MARK P. SPEES	June 1991
RICHARD MULLER	June 1992

COUNCIL ON AGING

FERN D. NYE	June 1990
HELENE WALKER	June 1990
SYLVIA MONK, Chr.	June 1991
MARIANNA T. GRAVES	June 1992
GEORGE C. MONK	June 1992

ENERGY RESOURCES COMMISSION

CURTIS E. PICHETTE	June 1990
DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	June 1991
THOMAS A. McCURM	June 1991
CHRISTINE REID	June 1991
ALICE PRATT	June 1992
PHILIP E. PLESS, Chr.	June 1992

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

PAULINE J. NYE	JANICE W. SCOTT
JUNE M. FITZGERALD	C. LORRAINE GORDON

AMBULANCE SERVICE

DOUGLAS M. FIELD, Co-Director (Resigned 1/1/90)
DIANNE D. FIELD, Co-Director (Resigned 1/1/90)
DOUGLAS MOLLISON, Director (App't 1/16/90)

CHIEF OF POLICE

GARY M. SIBILIA

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN

DOUGLAS M. FIELD

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

MICHAEL L. HARRINGTON, Building Commissioner
ELBERT ULSHOEFFER, Building Inspector (Resigned)
VICTOR STALEY, Building Inspector (Appointed)

WIRING, PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTION PROGRAM

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA, Wiring Inspector
PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI, Plumbing & Gas Inspector

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

CARMEN J. DeLUCA, JR.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

LESLIE C. LADD

VETERAN'S AGENT

EUGENE E. BALAZS

BURIAL AGENT, ACTING

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY

DOG OFFICER

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
KIM REARDON

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
BRUCE E. WILLARD

FIELD DRIVERS

E. WILL HEISER

ROLAND E. TOWNSLEY

FENCE VIEWERS

JOHN R. MOTT (Resigned 4/26/89)

ALDEN J. GRAY

SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER
RAMON R. SEARS

FREDERICK W. WELLS TRUSTEE

DOUGLAS M. CHANDLER

MAY 1990

Selectmen's Report

With all good intentions to work on future problems, the selectmen, along with several other boards and committees, have had to commit much of this past year to reacting to unfulfilled state aid commitments. In addition to the original \$50,000 cut in July, \$18,000 more was cut in December, an amount we were counting on to finance necessary services.

At the time of this printing, the amount of the June local aid payment is still unknown and the legislation has made no attempt to commit any local aid dollars for fiscal 1991. This situation makes planning future levels of service difficult at best. The understanding and cooperation of everyone is necessary as we wrestle with this state and, more importantly from where we sit, local fiscal crisis.

When state aid is cut, it not only affects the town directly but indirectly as well. The regional schools have also experienced significant state aid cuts and this results in higher school assessments to the town.

Fortunately a few projects were completed before the aforementioned financial difficulties presented themselves. Highway projects proceeded relatively well as all flood-related work was completed. The original S.T.R.A.P. Grant project was completed with a balance of \$64,580 remaining. These funds will be used to continue reconstruction of Baptist Corner Road toward Pfersick Road. Our road crew presently stands at 5 full-time employees. The newest member is Curt Pichette of Cape Street who was hired as our in-house mechanic and maintenance supervisor.

We expect the new pumper/tanker voted last year for the fire department will arrive prior to our annual town meeting in May.

In February, the town purchased a new police cruiser. The opportunity to save approximately \$3,000 prompted us to act on this now rather than wait until the annual town meeting.

Our transfer station has undergone and will continue with changes necessary to effectively and economically remove our solid waste. Your cooperation in the recycling effort over the past year has been a great savings to the town. The savings enabled us to purchase the transfer station site with money originally earmarked for the dump operation.

The board anxiously awaits the recommendations of the by-law sub-committee of the Planning Board. Growth and its effect on Ashfield is a very important issue as we proceed into the '90s. Hopefully, this issue will be addressed at great length this summer or early fall.

Financially, the town is fortunate to still be on relatively stable ground. Short-term borrowing has been limited to the highway motor grader, the uncompleted sewer project and the new fire truck. At this time, we find these burdens manageable. We also realize that if we are to continue stabilizing the tax rate, our debt will have to be reduced before we can make any large capital expenditures for school buildings.

Reduced state aid has made it necessary for the board to ask for an override of Proposition 2½ for fiscal year 1991. The money gained by an override will be the only way to fund necessary services. But even with an override, we are well aware of the difficult and, at times, very unpopular decisions which will have to be made in the coming year.

The board is confident you will understand our present position and will continue to give us the support you have given in the past.

THOMAS S. CARTER
NANCY A. ANDERSON
THOMAS A. McCRUMM
Board of Selectmen

Town Auditor's Report

This is to certify that I have examined the Town of Ashfield's books and the official audit and find them in order.

GEORGE C. MONK
Town Auditor

Financial Statement Fiscal 1989

July 1, 1988 - June 30, 1989

AMBULANCE FUND

Balance forward, 7/1/87		\$ 5,151.70
Earnings & Gifts		5,179.00
		<u>\$ 10,330.70</u>
Ambulance Equip. & repairs	\$ 193.64	
Telephones	137.68	
Medical equip.	568.70	
Supplies	410.55	
Insurance	579.00	
Pagers & repairs	152.00	
Training	696.00	
Office supplies	154.26	
Uniforms	637.25	
Radios & repairs	859.93	
VCR	329.95	
	<u>\$ 4,718.96</u>	
Ambulance Fund Total		\$ 5,611.74

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 12,200.00
Transfer from Workmen's Comp.		1,750.00
		<u>\$ 13,950.00</u>
Clerical	\$ 10,203.61	
Office supplies	292.47	
Registry of Deeds	162.25	
Dues	36.00	
Travel expenses	163.69	
Postage & envelopes	136.90	
Lister's services	584.47	
Typewriter & printer	1,175.00	
Tax bill updates	88.16	
	<u>\$ 12,842.55</u>	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,107.45

ASSESSORS' REVALUATION

Balance forward		\$ 25,905.75
Appropriation		5,000.00
Transfer from Office Clerical		1,725.00
		<u>\$ 32,630.75</u>
Patriots Properties, Inc.	\$ 32,235.75	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 395.00

ASSESSORS COMPUTER SYSTEM & SOFTWARE

Appropriation, Spec. Mtg., 3/13/89		\$ 9,985.00
Patriot Properties, Inc.	\$ 6,000.00	
Validata	3,924.16	
	<u>\$ 9,924.16</u>	

Balance to General Fund \$ 60.84

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Appropriation		\$ 20,600.00
Eleanor M. Ward	\$ 20,600.00	

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING

Appropriation		\$ 2,750.00
SCANCO & Assoc.	\$ 2,750.00	

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation		\$ 6,500.00
Belding Memorial Library	\$ 6,500.00	

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY RENOVATIONS

Balance forward \$ 30,000.00

BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD

Appropriation		\$ 11,500.00
Expended	\$ 9,349.60	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,150.40

BONDS

Appropriation		\$ 700.00
Expended	\$ 679.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 21.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation		\$ 9,672.00
Expended	\$ 9,672.00	

CARE OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Ashfield Burial Ground Ass'n	\$ 350.00	

CHAPTER 199 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 10,297.00
Borrowing		<u>29,703.00</u>
		\$ 40,000.00
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 40,000.00

CHAPTER 206 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 11,022.00
Borrowing		<u>28,978.00</u>
		\$40,000.00

Payroll	\$ 773.00
Bituminous concrete	537.19
Stone	205.00
Asphalt	990.00
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	\$ 2,505.19

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 37,494.81
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CHAPTER 497 GENERAL HIGHWAY

Appropriation		\$ 35,000.00
Payroll	\$ 19,683.20	
Mowing	4,859.25	
Bituminous concrete	4,470.40	
Hired equipment	1,395.00	
Culverts	1,313.73	
Guardrails	3,225.00	
Supplies	7.35	
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	\$ 34,953.93	

Balance forward	\$ 46.07
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CHAPTER 637 BOND TRANS. ISSUE

Balance forward	\$ 53,855.25
Interest earned	3,532.80
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	\$ 57,388.05

Payroll	\$ 4,401.16
Bituminous concrete	7,892.81
Hired equipment	1,616.75
Stone	2,765.02
Asphalt	8,169.28
Guardrails	10,673.00
Culverts	566.62
Engineering fees	4,039.34
Trap rock gravel	7,129.24
Gravel	8,550.15
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	\$ 55,803.37

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 1,584.68
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CHAPTER 811 BOND TRANS. ISSUE

Balance forward	\$ 22,945.28
Interest earned	8,517.19
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	\$ 31,462.47

Payroll	\$ 1,590.88
Bituminous concrete	21,409.22
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	\$ 23,000.10

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 8,462.37
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STRAP GRANT Baptist Corner Rd.

Balance forward	\$148,558.90
Interest earned	15,173.21
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	\$163,732.11

Culverts	\$ 11,012.60
Payroll	14,040.51
Hired equipment	24,642.45
Stone	6,075.74
Bituminous concrete	244.25
Cold patch	170.10
Gravel	9,462.21
Stakes	132.00
Mason sand	41.28
Blades	75.00

\$ 65,896.14

Unexpended balance forward

\$ 97,835.97

APRIL '87 FLOOD ACCOUNT

Balance expended		\$286,037.02
Payroll	\$ 7,931.38	
Gravel	37,265.10	
Culverts	24,793.03	
Hired equipment	4,250.00	
Guardrails	2,442.00	
Supplies	134.12	
Stone	1,724.95	
Asphalt	6,425.44	
Posts	200.00	
Engineering fees-bridges	4,766.66	
	<u>\$ 89,932.68</u>	
Total expended at 6/30/88		\$375,969.98
Total reimbursed by FEMA	\$242,872.00	

FLOOD REPAIRS - APRIL '87

Appropriation (Free Cash)	\$ 60,000.00
Unexpended balance forward	\$ 60,000.00

BURNETT BRIDGE REPAIRS

Appropriation (Free Cash)	\$ 5,000.00
Steel beams	\$ 1,590.00
Unexpended balance forward	\$ 3,410.00

CIRCUIT RIDER PROGRAM EXPENSES

Dec. 1 - June 30, 1989

Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00
Rec'd - Town of Plainfield	2,500.00
Rec'd - Ashfield Water District	500.00
	<u>\$ 5,500.00</u>
Mileage & expenses	\$ 187.85
Office supplies	232.41
Telephone	467.02
Typewriters & repairs	632.00
Health & insurance	1,056.66

Medicare	150.53	
Furniture	254.88	
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	\$ 2,981.35	
Refund to Town of Plainfield	1,133.39	
Refund to Ashfield Water District	251.87	
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	\$ 4,366.61	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,133.39

CIVIL DEFENSE

Balance forward		\$ 80.00
Appropriation		<hr/> 100.00
		\$ 180.00
Manuals	\$ 159.92	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 20.08

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Balance to General Fund		\$ 100.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<hr/> 24.07
		\$ 224.07
Advertisements	\$ 123.57	
Dues	65.00	
Postage	26.50	
Regulation manuals	9.00	
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	\$ 224.07	

COUNCIL ON AGING

Appropriation (Rev. Sharing)		\$ 735.00
Shelburne Senior Center	\$ 735.00	

DOG OFFICER EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 150.00
Equipment	\$ 83.45	
Supplies	60.00	
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	\$ 143.45	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 6.55

ELECTIONS

Appropriation		\$ 900.00
State reimbursement		<hr/> 178.00
		\$ 1,078.00
Election officers	\$ 768.74	
Voters lists	134.00	
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	\$ 967.74	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 110.26

FIRE STATION WEATHERSTRIPPING

Balance forward		\$ 289.74
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FIRES & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 13,740.00
Transfer from Vacat. & Holidays		2,400.00

		\$ 16,140.00
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Alarm system	\$ 156.00
Telephone	710.04
Supplies & equip.	715.78
Radios & repairs	3,469.85
Office supplies	130.62
Pagers & repairs	482.50
Emergency phone	147.91
Fire extinguishers	230.00
Gasoline	514.28
Insurance	579.00
Dues	215.75
Equipment repairs	4,992.45
Training	119.00
Payroll	3,560.75

Balance to General Fund	\$ 116.07
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FRANKLIN COUNTY DISPATCH CENTER

Appropriation		\$ 8,600.00
Expended	\$ 8,600.00	

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Health Agent	\$ 1,639.40	
File cabinet	99.99	
Postage & dues	61.00	
Water tests - Ashfield Lake	171.00	
Flu clinic costs	12.60	

Balance to General Fund	\$ 1,016.01
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HEATING TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$ 3,400.00
Fire Station	\$ 1,563.55	
Town Hall	1,420.14	

Balance to General Fund	\$ 416.31
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HIGHWAY - PAID VACATIONS & HOLIDAYS

Appropriation		\$ 8,300.00
Transfer to Fires & Equip.		-2,400.00

Expended	\$ 5,896.50	\$ 5,900.00
Balance to General Fund		\$ 3.50
HIGHWAY - SICK LEAVE		
Balance forward		\$ 688.58
Appropriation		2,500.00
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		\$ 3,188.58
Expended	\$ 2,012.00	
Balance forward		\$ 1,176.58
HIGHWAY DEPT. - PICKUP & PLOW		
Appropriation		\$ 18,112.00
Sweeney Ford & Tri County	\$ 17,716.06	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 395.94
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY		
Appropriation		\$ 25,000.00
Leslie C. Ladd	\$ 25,000.00	
HISTORICAL COMMISSION		
Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Photos	\$ 84.40	
Dues	35.00	
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	\$ 119.40	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 80.60
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS		
Appropriation		\$ 125.00
Thomas Poissant	\$ 125.00	
INSURANCE - PUBLIC OFFICIAL LIABILITY		
Appropriation		\$ 3,100.00
MIIA	\$ 2,765.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 335.00
INSURANCE - TOWN BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT		
Appropriation		\$ 33,000.00
Transfer to other accounts, 6/13/89		-8,900.00
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		\$ 24,100.00
MIIA	\$ 24,038.29	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 61.71
INTEREST ON LOANS		
Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Special Mtg., 3/13/89 (Free Cash)		5,020.55
Special Mtg., 6/13/89		

Transfer-Insurance acc't		3,000.00
Transfer from Revenue Fund		<u>429.04</u>
		\$ 10,949.59
Expended	\$ 10,949.59	

INTEREST & PRINCIPAL - GRADER LOAN

Appropriation		\$ 20,216.57
Expended	\$ 20,211.24	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 5.33

INTEREST ON SEWER LOANS

Appropriation		\$ 10,000.00
Expended	\$ 7,835.64	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,164.36

ASHFIELD LAKE - PHASE I FEASIBILITY STUDY

Balance forward		\$ 22,800.00
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LIFEGUARD & SWIMMING INSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Lifeguard	\$ 4,136.00	
Instructor	370.00	
Aides	<u>130.00</u>	
	\$ 4,636.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 364.00

MACHINERY EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 40,000.00
Parts & repairs	\$ 15,761.86	
Uniforms	1,006.29	
Mileage	624.71	
Telephone	521.12	
Electricity	647.28	
Supplies	837.39	
Gas & Oil	10,604.85	
Office supplies	77.66	
Heating	616.03	
Tires	3,601.16	
Radio repairs	306.11	
Equipment	2,395.00	
Road signs	458.10	
Physical exams	<u>50.80</u>	
	\$ 37,508.36	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,491.64

MEDICARE

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Special Meeting, 1/30/89 (Free Cash)		700.00

Transferred from Reserve Fund		155.99
		<u>\$ 1,855.99</u>
Expended	\$ 1,855.99	

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Markers & flags	\$ 136.68	
Flowers	113.15	
Band	<u>100.00</u>	
	\$ 349.83	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 150.17

NURSING & HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Balance to General Fund		\$ 100.00

OFFICE-PART-TIME CLERICAL

Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Transferred to Assessors' Reval.	\$ 1,725.00	
Transferred to Treasurer's Exp.	<u>275.00</u>	
	\$ 2,000.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 500.00

OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 4,500.00
Dues	\$ 470.00	
Telephone	325.68	
Postage	51.70	
Advertisements	689.01	
Photocopy supplies & repairs	390.06	
Supplies	460.13	
Meetings & travel exp.	575.96	
Office equip. & repairs	829.88	
Filing fees & statistics	<u>406.00</u>	
	\$ 4,198.42	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 301.58

PARKS & BEACH

Appropriation		\$ 2,270.00
Electricity	\$ 324.13	
Beach sand	600.00	
Supplies	32.99	
Mowing & rubbish removal	954.00	
Telephone	150.92	
Water	<u>111.16</u>	
	\$ 2,173.20	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 96.80

PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,155.00
Dues	\$ 60.00	
Office supplies	39.01	
Advertisements	288.00	
Secretarial	184.25	
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	\$ 571.26	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 583.74

PARKS-DOCK REPAIR

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 600.00
Supplies	\$ 21.72	
Materials	435.68	
Welding	75.00	
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	\$ 532.40	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 67.60

POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 20,000.00
Gary M. Sibilis	\$ 20,000.00	

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$ 19,000.00
Special Mtg., 1/30/89 (Free Cash)		4,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		844.40
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		\$ 24,344.40
Payroll	\$ 10,516.00	
Postage	100.00	
Equipment	310.29	
Meetings	112.90	
Telephone	1,307.87	
Radios & repairs	633.28	
Cruiser repairs	1,647.58	
Tires	346.00	
Uniforms	163.30	
Office supplies	90.40	
Gasoline	2,824.58	
Insurance	5,442.70	
Radar	724.50	
Dues	125.00	
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	\$ 24,344.40	

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Expended	\$ 500.00	

RENT OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,302.70
Transferred from Ins. on Bldgs. 6/13/89		586.23
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		\$ 1,888.93
Ashfield Water District	\$ 1,888.93	

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM-MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$ 17,801.00
Expended	\$ 17,801.00	

ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$218,255.00
Expended	\$218,255.00	

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$333,867.41
Expended	\$333,867.41	

STABILIZATION FUND

Appropriation		\$ 65,000.00
Deposited in Stabilization Fund	\$ 65,000.00	
Total of Fund 6/30/99	\$130,425.09	

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Expended	\$ 3,931.92	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,068.08

STREET LISTS & CENSUS

Appropriation		\$ 450.00
Census reimbursement		\$ 250.00
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		\$ 700.00
Street listing	\$ 445.00	
Computerization	255.00	
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	\$ 700.00	

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 2,338.00
Transfer from Insurance 6/13/89		400.00
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		\$ 2,738.00
Postage & envelopes	\$ 1,190.05	
Office supplies	256.39	
Office machines & repairs	162.74	
Dues	35.00	
Tax bills	875.50	
Advertisements	67.37	
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	\$ 2,587.05	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 150.95

TAX MAPPING

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 1,000.00
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TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 750.00
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Dues	\$ 28.00
Telephone	277.49
Office supplies	120.73
Envelopes & postage	162.90
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	\$ 589.12

Balance to General Fund	\$ 160.88
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TOWN COUNSEL

Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00
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Special Mtg., 1/30/89 (Free Cash)	4,000.00
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Special Mtg., 6/13/89 Transfer from Ins.	5,500.00
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Transferred from Reserve Fund	1,191.28
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	\$ 14,691.28

Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, et al	\$ 14,691.28
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TOWN HALL HANDICAP ACCESS

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 2,000.00
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TOWN HALL-MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00
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Special Mtg., 3/13/89 (Free Cash)	1,500.00
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Transferred from Reserve Fund	90.05
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	\$ 4,090.05

Electricity	\$ 1,480.39
Supplies	343.77
Lighting & Wiring	135.80
Janitor	1,913.83
Water	142.36
Plumbing	33.90
Fire extinguishers	40.00
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	\$ 4,090.05

TOWN HALL RENOVATION

Unexpended balance forward	\$ 4,000.00
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Appropriation	2,000.00
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Special Mtg., 6/13/89	
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Transfer from Town Reports	1,700.00
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	\$ 7,700.00

Carpentry & labor	\$ 3,793.10
Materials	761.15
Electrical	1,353.34
Computer desk & chair	439.72
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	\$ 6,347.31

Balance forward	\$ 1,352.69
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TOWN HALL PAINTING — INTERIOR

Unexpended balance forward		\$ 1,000.00
Special Mtg., 6/13/89		
Transfer from Workmens Comp.		<u>300.00</u>
		\$ 1,300.00
William F. Gray	\$ 1,236.30	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 63.70

TOWN HALL STRUCTURAL REPAIR & PAINTING

Unexpended bal. forward (Fred Cross)		\$ 1,927.32
Appropriation (Fred Cross)		<u>3,000.00</u>
		\$ 4,927.32
William F. Gray	\$ 4,927.32	

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		\$ 13,850.00
Expended	\$ 13,820.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 30.00

TOWN REPORTS & BALLOTS

Appropriation		\$ 4,000.00
Transferred to Town Hall Renov.		<u>-1,700.00</u>
		\$ 2,300.00
Delivery by Girl Scouts	\$ 50.00	
Lamb Printing Co.	<u>2,207.95</u>	
	\$ 2,257.95	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 42.05

TRANSFER STATION

Appropriation		\$ 62,500.00
Payroll	\$ 9,504.00	
County Planning Assessment	298.48	
Electricity	366.43	
Land rental	721.56	
Hauling & rental of equip.	17,220.00	
Landfill disposal	13,192.46	
Recycling	2,291.00	
Supplies	667.70	
Waste oil tank	350.00	
Demo dump costs	4,506.00	
Tire removal	531.00	
Appliance removal	204.00	
Telephone	<u>190.88</u>	
	\$ 50,043.51	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 12,456.49

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	750.00
Transfer from Office Clerical			275.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			176.58
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		\$	1,201.58
Computer rental	\$	470.00	
Postage & envelopes		242.13	
Filing fees		60.00	
Supplies		118.50	
Service charges		310.95	
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	\$	1,201.58	

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		\$	3,000.00
Payroll	\$	1,105.50	
Hired equipment		1,586.50	
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		\$2,692.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$	308.00

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$	500.00
Balance to General Fund		\$	500.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		\$	100.00
Balance to General Fund		\$	100.00

VETERANS' CENTER

Appropriation		\$	2,614.95
Western Franklin Veterans' Center	\$	2,614.95	

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation		\$	55,000.00
Special Mtg., 3/13/89 (Free Cash)			20,000.00
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		\$	75,000.00
Payroll	\$	33,730.67	
Sand		21,954.75	
Salt		8,397.73	
Hired equipment		1,117.50	
Red gravel		6,835.49	
Bituminous concrete		1,818.51	
Lumber		30.85	
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	\$	73,885.50	
Balance to General Fund		\$	1,114.50

WIRING & PLUMBING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation		\$	7,332.12
Expended	\$	7,332.12	

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$ 8,554.00
Transferred to other accounts		<u>-2,636.23</u>
		\$ 5,917.77
MIIA	\$ 5,910.91	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 6.86

SEWER FEASIBILITY STUDY - VILLAGE AREA

Appropriation, 11/07/88 (Free Cash)		\$ 3,900.00
MacLeay Associates	\$ 3,900.00	

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Conservation Commission	\$ 24.07	
Police Department	844.40	
Medicare	155.99	
Treasurer's Expenses	176.58	
Town Hall, Maint.	90.05	
Interest on Loans	429.04	
Town Counsel	<u>1,191.28</u>	
	\$ 2,911.41	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,088.59

Town of Ashfield

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1989

ASSETS

Cash:

General	\$369,869.70	
Ambulance	\$ 5,611.74	\$375,481.44

Accounts Receivable:

Real Estate Taxes:

Levy of 1976-1981	\$904.12	
Levy of 1982	111.78	
Levy of 1983	217.31	
Levy of 1984	.67	
Levy of 1985	99.77	
Levy of 1986	(137.50)	
Levy of 1987	435.52	
Levy of 1988	(81.14)	
Levy of 1989	\$112,173.25	\$113,723.78

Personal Property Taxes:

Levy of 1974-1981	\$ 901.78	
Levy of 1982	8.59	
Levy of 1983	56.00	
Levy of 1984	70.65	
Levy of 1985	12.98	
Levy of 1986	48.10	
Levy of 1987	245.67	
Levy of 1988	319.34	
Levy of 1989	\$ 4,195.16	\$ 5,858.27

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1973-1981	\$ 1,578.59	
Levy of 1982	250.92	
Levy of 1983	306.64	
Levy of 1984	682.08	
Levy of 1985	828.19	
Levy of 1986	1,503.40	
Levy of 1987	1,684.78	
Levy of 1988	2,803.46	
Levy of 1989	\$ 15,295.76	\$ 24,933.82

Forest Products Taxes

\$ 680.00

Farm Animal Excise Taxes

533.85

State Aid to Highway

56,175.81

FEMA Flood Grant

Federal Grant	147,569.00	
State Grant	10,283.00	157,852.00

County Dog	840.00
Belding Endowment Trust	341.94
Fred Cross Fund	5,626.01
Loans Authorized	580,000.00
Flood Damage Grant Account	\$132,652.44
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,454,699.36

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Withholding Taxes Payable		(\$475.26)
Bond Deposit		4,000.00
State Assessment-County Tax		112.50
Tailings		12.00
Overlays:		
1974-1983	\$ 2,196.73	
1984	71.32	
1985	112.75	
1986	48.10	
1987	681.19	
1988	319.34	
1989	38,434.59	\$ 41,864.02
Revenues Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	24,933.82	
Farm Animal Excise	533.85	
State Aid to Highway	56,175.81	
FEMA Flood Grant Revenue	157,852.00	239,495.48
Unexpended Balances:		
Ambulance Fund	5,611.74	
Park Funds	35.02	
Steeple Fund	3,076.22	
Council on Aging Grant	353.85	
Collector's Costs	5.00	
Arts Council Grant	559.00	
Chapter 811 Grant	8,462.37	
Chapter 637 Grant	1,584.68	
Strap Grant	97,835.97	
Dog Refund	1,070.92	
Road Machinery Fund	1,421.04	
State Aid to Library	(1,250.00)	
Circuit Rider Program	76.93	
School Energy Grant	1,211.33	
Division of Water Pollution Control	\$ 13,111.00	\$ 133,165.07
Loans Authorized and Unissued		\$ 580,000.00
Appropriation Balances		\$ 144,808.97
Surplus Revenue		\$ 311,716.58
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		\$1,454,699.36

Tax Collector's Report

July 1, 1988 - June 30, 1989

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1974-81

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	927.06
Payment to Treasurer	\$	26.28	
Outstanding 6-30-89		901.78	
	\$	927.06	\$ 927.06

1982

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	8.59
Outstanding 6-30-89	\$	8.59	
	\$	8.59	\$ 8.59

1983

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	72.64
Payment to Treasurer	\$	16.64	
Outstanding 6-30-89		56.00	
	\$	72.64	\$ 72.64

1984

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	89.30
Payment to Treasurer	\$	18.65	
Outstanding 6-30-89		70.65	
	\$	89.30	\$ 89.30

1985

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	29.40
Payment to Treasurer	\$	16.42	
Outstanding 6-30-89		12.98	
	\$	29.40	\$ 29.40

1986

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	157.22
Payment to Treasurer	\$	107.55	
Audit Adj.		1.57	
Outstanding 6-30-89		48.10	
	\$	157.22	\$ 157.22

1987

Outstanding 7-1-88		\$	286.69
Payment to Treasurer	\$	37.22	
Audit Adj.		3.80	
Outstanding 6-30-89		245.67	
	\$	286.89	\$ 286.89

1988		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 2,614.94
Audit Adj.		(5.36)
Abate	\$ 158.15	
Outstanding	<u>888.22</u>	
	\$ 2,609.58	\$ 2,609.58

1989		
Commitment		27,883.66
Refunds		637.09
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 23,785.97	
Correction	539.62	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>4,195.16</u>	
	\$ 28,520.75	\$ 28,520.75

REAL ESTATE

1976-81		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 904.12
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>\$ 904.12</u>	
	\$ 904.12	\$ 904.12

1982		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 111.78
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>\$ 111.78</u>	
	\$ 111.78	\$ 111.78

1983		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 605.85
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 388.54	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>217.31</u>	
	\$ 605.85	\$ 605.85

1984		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 830.85
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 830.08	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>.67</u>	
	\$ 830.85	\$ 830.85

1985		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 1,087.65
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 987.88	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>99.77</u>	
	\$ 1,087.65	\$ 1,087.65

1986		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 1,381.65
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 1,178.91	

Audit Adj.	340.24	
Outstanding 6-30-89	0.00	
	<u>\$ 1,381.65</u>	<u>\$ 1,381.65</u>
1987		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 2,417.83
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 1,982.31	
Outstanding 6-30-89	435.52	
	<u>\$ 2,417.83</u>	<u>\$ 2,417.83</u>
1988		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 31,894.35
Refunds		196.44
Audit Adj.		618.78
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 32,480.83	
Abate	292.61	
Audit Adj.	17.27	
Outstanding 6-30-89	(81.14)	
	<u>\$ 32,709.57</u>	<u>\$ 32,709.57</u>
1989		
Outstanding 7-1-88		831,902.01
Refunds		4,809.28
Correction		539.62
Exemptions	\$ 2,018.27	
Payment to Treasurer	723,059.39	
Outstanding 6-30-89	112,173.25	
	<u>\$837,250.91</u>	<u>\$837,250.91</u>
FARM		
1988		
Commitment		\$ 5,331.68
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 4,797.83	
Outstanding 6-30-89	533.85	
	<u>\$ 5,331.68</u>	<u>\$ 5,331.68</u>
FOREST PRODUCTS		
1987		
Commitment		\$ 692.00
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 12.00	
Outstanding 6-30-89	680.00	
	<u>\$ 692.00</u>	<u>\$ 692.00</u>
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE		
1973-81		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 3,381.53
Payment to Treasurer	862.92	
Abate	940.02	

Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>1,578.59</u>	
	\$ 3,381.53	\$ 3,381.53
1982		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 325.42
Comm. after Abate		18.75
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 27.00	
Abatement	66.25	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>250.92</u>	
	\$ 344.17	\$ 344.17
1983		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 521.09
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 11.28	
Abatement	198.17	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>311.64</u>	
	\$ 521.09	\$ 521.09
1984		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 1,002.49
Audit Adj.		44.18
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 51.68	
Abate	312.91	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>682.08</u>	
	\$ 1,046.67	\$ 1,046.67
1985		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 1,126.54
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 174.37	
Audit Adj.	90.48	
Abate	33.50	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>828.19</u>	
	\$ 1,126.54	\$ 1,126.54
1986		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 2,133.50
Audit Adj.		20.00
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 343.45	
Audit Adj.	306.65	
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>1,503.40</u>	
	\$ 2,153.50	\$ 2,153.50
1987		
Outstanding 7-1-88		\$ 7,392.24
Comm.		1,000.12
Audit Adj.		7.50
Refunds		92.60
Payment to Treasurer	\$ 6,118.55	
Audit Adj.	512.47	

Abate	176.66		
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>1,684.78</u>		
	\$ 8,492.46		\$ 8,492.46
1988			
Outstanding 7-1-88			\$ 25,074.03
Comm.			17,031.41
Audit Adj.			15.00
Refunds			<u>1,269.05</u>
Payment to Treasurer	38,694.74		
Audit Adj.	.02		
Abate	1,891.27		
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>2,803.46</u>		
	\$ 43,389.49		\$ 43,389.49
1989			
Commitment			\$ 58,702.56
Refunds			224.42
Payment to Treasurer	42,378.31		
Abate	1,252.92		
Outstanding 6-30-89	<u>15,295.76</u>		
	\$ 58,926.99		\$ 58,926.99

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD
Tax Collector

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS — January 1, 1989 - December 31, 1989

BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
1	Joseph Charles Russell	Marcy Ann Sala & Richard Sargeant Russell
19	Ericka Jacquelyn Burgin	Jacquelyn (Magnant) & Edgar Amado Burgin
MARCH		
16	Irissa Joan Powell	Lisa Marie (Streeter) & Drew Stephen Powell
23	Matthew Ross Chiamis	Marie DeLuca-Chiamis & Danny Chiamis
APRIL		
19	Alicia Amber Vight	Theresa Mareen (Steiner) & Dennis James Vight
19	Kirsten Elizabeth Porter	Jody (McKenzie) & Charles Paul Porter
24	Orion Eli Sauter	Sally Jean Waisbrot & Steven Anton Sauter
MAY		
3	Cody Ryan Pease	Rosemarie Rita (Desroches) & Todd Douglas Pease
4	Heidi Lassen Lilly	Sandra Elizabeth (Jones) & Steven Ward Lilly
15	Kaia Sage McClellan	Ana (Burt-Annear) & Samuel Alexander McClellan
JUNE		
5	Miranda Louise Nichols	Allison Elizabeth Page & Russell Wadsworth Nichols
16	Dylan Edward Walker	Mary Lynne (Freeman) & Robert Edward Walker
18	Emma Grace Stone Fairchild	Abby Kay (Schulenberg) & William Stone Fairchild, III
23	Jack Parnass Styles	Lisa Joanne Styles & Lawrence Eldred Parnass

JULY

22	Sarah Reid Weber	Ann Christine Reid & Donald Charles Weber
25	Samuel Joseph Tocman	Susan Jane (Brouthers) & Howard Carl Tocman

AUGUST

18	Joseph Michael Page	Allison Layne (Pepyne) & Stanley Eugene Page
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OCTOBER

18	Thea Lucille Knowles	Carol Joan Lebold & David Alan Knowles
25	Edward John Carter	Sandra Lou (Jennings) & Thomas Scott Carter

NOVEMBER

30	Erin Noel Sears	April Lee (Kellum) & Randall Edward Sears
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DECEMBER

8	Ashley Caroline Kernan-Dufresne	Denise Joy Kernan & Francis Calo Dufresne
9	Ruth Sloan Isserman	Marcia Lynn Williams & Maurice Herbert Isserman

MARRIAGES

Date	Names & Residences	Place of Marriage
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FEBRUARY

4	Edward B. Streeter, Ashfield Emilianna Streeter, Ashfield	Ashfield
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APRIL

2	Richard Willard Hodges, Ashfield Helen Bachman Jillson, Ashfield	Ashfield
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MAY

3	John Robert Wilde, Ashfield Stella A. Eldridge, Ashfield	Ashfield
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MAY

5	Donald A. Cerow, Ashfield Gail Ruth Ulrich, Ashfield	Framingham
6	Thomas Gene Poissant, Ashfield Kim Ellen Powell, Ashfield	Ashfield
20	Dennis Earle Crowningshield, Charlemont Robyn Anne (Grubel) Creamer, Ashfield	Rowe

JUNE

24	Edwin Jeffrey Brennan, Ashfield Beth McPherson, Ashfield	Scituate
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AUGUST

5	Christopher Morgan Davis, Leverett Susan Ann Cotter, Leverett	Ashfield
26	David Alan Knowles, Ashfield Carol Joan Lebold, Ashfield	Ashfield

OCTOBER

1	Jonathan Paul Diamond, Ashfield Dana Louise Wilson Blackburn, Ashfield	Ashfield
6	Edward C. Purinton, Ashfield Valerie L. Derrig, Ashfield	Ashfield
14	Timothy Robert Nye, Ashfield Kathy A. Poissant, Ashfield	Shelburne
21	James Gann Aiken, Ashfield Kimberly Jo Seagle, Ashfield	Ashfield

DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
JANUARY			
15	Charles Cross Gray	Conway	90
19	Ernest G. Samson	Northampton	79
FEBRUARY			
19	David Lynn Kuhns	Northampton	53
26	Harold Pike	Plainfield	57
MARCH			
26	Norman Charles Scott	Greenfield	58
APRIL			
3	Andrew Morris Kelley	Ashfield	69
26	Harold F. Hall	Greenfield	70
MAY			
2	Hope Packard	Conway	91
6	Pia Gallarani	Shelburne	93
9	Elisabeth Harding	Shelburne	94
SEPTEMBER			
9	Lillian M. Eddy	Shelburne	89

13	Grace Elizabeth Mayer-Oakes	Shelburne	97
14	Mary Priscilla Howes	Greenfield	77

DECEMBER

1	Elizabeth Marshall Pickhardt	Ashfield	76
30	Robert Preston Otis	Northampton	41

(Please report any errors or omissions in the foregoing to the Town Clerk.)

ELECTIONS

Annual Mtg., May 6, 1989 Votes cast - 380 Reg. voters - 1,029

DOG LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1989 - December 31, 1989

72	Males @ \$3.00	\$216.00
5	Females @ \$6.00	30.00
79	Spayed females @ \$3.00	237.00
4	Kennels @ \$10.00	40.00
1	Kennel @ \$25.00	25.00
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		\$548.00
Fees retained		-120.75
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Paid to Treasurer		\$427.25

FISH & GAME LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1989 - December 31, 1989

45	Res. Fishing @ \$12.50	\$ 562.50
3	Res. Fishing 65-69 @ \$6.25	18.75
3	Res. Fishing Paraplegic	FREE
1	Non-Res. Fishing @ \$17.50	17.50
1	Non-Res. 7-Day Fishing @ \$11.50	11.50
10	Res. Hunting @ \$12.50	125.00
1	Res. Hunting Paraplegic	FREE
26	Res. Sporting @ \$19.50	507.00
4	Res. Sporting 65-69 @ \$9.75	39.00
20	Res. Sporting Over 70	FREE
1	Dup. Sporting @ \$2.00	2.00
7	Archery/Prim. Firearms Stamps @ \$5.10	35.70
3	Mass. Waterfowl Stamps @ \$1.25	3.75
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		\$1,322.70
Fees retained		46.45
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Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts		\$1,276.25

Respectfully submitted,

LORRAINE GORDON, Town Clerk

Ashfield Burial Ground Association

Supplemental to Town Clerk's Report

BURIALS

January 1, 1989 - December 31, 1989

	Date of Death	Age
Beldingville Cemetery		
Francis A. Waitkus	11/13/89	65
Brier Hill Cemetery		
David L. Kuhns	2/19/89	53
Elizabeth Shoemaker Linscott	4/8/89	88
Hill Cemetery		
Charles Cross Gray	1/15/89	90
Mary Priscilla (Hall) Howes	11/14/89	77
Plain Cemetery		
George Jackson Jones	5/29/87	80
Ernest George Sampson	1/19/89	79
Harold Pike	2/26/89	57
George H. Dane	3/23/89	78
Norman C. Scott	3/26/89	58
Andrew M. Kelley	4/3/89	69
Harold F. Hall	4/26/89	70
Hope Packard	5/2/89	91
Lillian M. Eddy	9/9/89	89
Viola Lynn Provost Gambill (Infant)	9/11/89	0
George E. Maynard	11/2/89	67
Harry H. Williams	11/11/89	82
Clarence B. Green	11/13/89	87
Spruce Corner Cemetery		
Alma (Poudrier) Powers Langlais	11/6/89	77

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY
Burial Agent

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Year Ending June 30, 1989

Balance of Cash at July 1, 1988	\$ 936,821.51
Cash Received	1,189,170.26
Cash Disbursements	1,411,056.00
Balance of Cash at June 30, 1989	\$ 714,935.77

Balance consists of:

United Savings Bank:

General Fund	\$ 198,555.50
Ambulance Fund	5,611.74
STRAP Fund	97,835.97
Stabilization Fund	130,425.09
Fred Cross - General Fund	63,092.43
Fred Cross - Library	5,000.00
Fred Cross - Cemetery	2,000.00
Trust Funds	89,915.87
Cemetery Funds	1,250.00

M.M.D.T.:

General Fund	53,116.46
Highway Fund - Chapter 811	8,462.37
Energy Grant	1,211.33

Heritage Savings Bank:

Eliza Miller Acct.	11,588.16
Salmon Miller Acct.	22,836.11

Bay Bank:

General Fund	10,688.07
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Shawmut Bank:

Milo Belding, Jr. Endow. - Park/Library	13,346.67
	\$ 714,935.77

Presentation of Cash:

General Fund	\$ 375,481.44
Stabilization Fund	130,425.09
Trust Funds	209,029.24
Total	\$ 714,935.77

Respectfully submitted,

JANET M. SWEM, Treasurer

Ashfield Fire Department

It has been a very busy year for the Fire Department. After we raised the fire station doors to fit the new truck, we found a huge hole underneath the floor of the station. We are working hard to keep up with all the necessary inspections of new buildings in town and have worked very closely with the Corbetts as they changed the Ashfield House from a rest home to an apartment/office complex.

The Fire Department continues to train in the cleanup of hazardous material spills. If there is a spill, we will be ready for it.

It is with the support of the townspeople and selectmen that the department will have a new truck delivered in the spring of 1990 in order to give the town better service. We will be retiring the 1958 Ford tanker when the new truck is put in service.

As this town grows in all areas, the department must grow with it in order to protect everyone in town. It takes more training and time at meetings to make it all work. The department would like to thank all those people who donated their time and/or equipment to help the department this year.

Like every year, the Firemen's Association has raised money for the fire department and town groups. We purchased uniforms, a CPR doll, informational literature, Fire Code books, equipment for the 1956 fire truck and donated money for the Pee Wee and Little League insurance premium.

The department had a 30 percent increase in calls in 1989 broken down as follows:

Auto accidents:	12
Car or truck fire:	6
Lost person:	2
Gas leak/wash down:	7
Alarm but no fire:	3
Structure fire:	8
False alarm:	3
Chimney fire:	11
Mutual aid:	11
Brush fire:	12
Electrical fire:	5
Medical aid:	1
Total:	<hr/> 81

Respectfully submitted,
DOUGLAS M. FIELD, Chief

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

During the past fiscal year we were called upon to provide veterans' benefits to two veterans and their families. The money was used to provide aid as follows:

Ordinary Benefits	\$1,929.12
Total	\$1,929.12

The towns which provided this aid will be reimbursed 75% by the State and are as follows:

Buckland	\$ 313.12
Shelburne	\$1,616.00
Total	\$1,929.12

Seventeen veterans passed away during the year and the Service Center assisted the survivors with their VA claims for Burial Benefits, Grave Markers, Pensions and Compensation to which they are legally entitled.

Some of the many on-going services to veterans are — preparation of Tax Abatement Forms for veterans with service-connected disabilities, help to complete all Veterans Administration claim forms and provide assistance to all veterans and their dependents in connection with their claims under Federal Programs.

Three meetings were held this year with various representatives from the ten town district to discuss the overall program.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE E. BALAZS
Director/Veterans' Agent

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

Balance July 1, 1988 United Savings Bank	\$ 577.35
Balance July 1, 1988 MMDT	4,948.59

Receipts:

Town of Ashfield	\$ 2,614.95
Town of Buckland	2,440.62
Town of Charlemont	1,568.97
Town of Colrain	2,266.29
Town of Conway	2,091.96
Town of Hawley	697.32
Town of Heath	1,394.64
Town of Monroe Bridge	522.99

Town of Plainfield	1,045.98	
Town of Shelburne	2,789.28	
Flags and Markers	1,397.91	
Interest MMDT	345.62	
Federal Withholdings	2,400.00	
State Withholdings	679.68	
Retirement	725.04	
Medicare	210.24	
	<u>\$23,191.49</u>	<u>\$ 5,525.94</u>
Total		\$28,717.43
Payments:		
Eugene E. Balazs	\$14,500.00	
Treasurer's Salary	350.00	
Town of Shelburne - Rent	1,800.00	
Phone	367.05	
Director expense	280.99	
Treasurer's Bond	100.00	
Dues & Handbook	35.00	
Flags & Markers	1,403.00	
Retirement Assessment	1,922.00	
IRS Penalty	33.86	
Misc. exp.	7.03	
Internal Revenue Service		
Federal Tax	2,400.00	
Medicare	420.48	
Franklin County Retirement	725.04	
Commonwealth of Mass		
State Tax	679.68	
	<u>\$25,024.13</u>	<u>\$25,024.13</u>
Balance June 30, 1989		
United Savings Bank		\$ 3,693.30
		<u>\$28,717.43</u>

VALERIE L. WALKER, **Treasurer**

Annual Report of the Fred W. Wells Trustees

Funds available for the fiscal year 1989-1990 were \$137,545.90 which were allocated to three specific areas: Education, Health, and Agriculture.

Education — The Trustees received 234 applications for education grants and approved 157 students to receive \$106,495.00. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to ensure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid.

Health — Six (6) health programs were proposed and approved. Funds were paid to Mohawk Valley Medical Center, Visiting Nurse Association, Hospice Program to assist with the increased patient load for terminally ill, Western Mass. Food Bank, Nelcwit, and Western Mass. Children with Attention Deficit Disorders (better known as C.H.A.D.D.). These programs received a total of \$25,000.00.

Agriculture — Prizes for agricultural accomplishments were awarded through the Franklin County Fair and the Heath Fair. Franklin County Fair accomplishments were \$4,850.90. Heath Fair accomplishments were \$1,200.00.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER
Trustee

Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals

The Board considered two matters during 1989. The first was a petition for a variance to allow the continued existence of a mobile home on a residential lot. The mobile home had been placed temporarily while a permanent house was under construction. However, after three years the house had not been built and construction was not presently in progress. For a variance to be granted, there must be circumstances related to the land that cause a hardship. None could be found in this case and the variance was denied.

The second matter was an appeal from a decision of the building inspector and a request for a variance. After a well attended public hearing and a site visit by two members of the committee, the decision of the building inspector was reversed and the variance was granted with conditions, both on very narrow grounds.

A decision of the board made in December, 1988 was appealed to Franklin Superior Court. At the end of 1989, the appeal had not yet been heard or decided.

Respectfully submitted,

JACK McNIFF, Chairman
RALPH TOWNSLEY, Clerk
CLAYTON CRAFT
WILLIAM SCHREIBER, Assoc.
KEN LILLY, Assoc.

Report of the Zoning By-Law Review Committee

The committee made tremendous progress during 1989. At the end of the year a draft was nearly completed. The task of reviewing and proposing revised zoning bylaws is a major undertaking. In order to produce an end product, many, many forms of land use regulation had to be considered in detail before deciding whether to include it in Ashfield's zoning proposal. Many were felt to be inappropriate and not included. The task was such that two meetings a month were found to be insufficient to make adequate progress through all of the material requiring review and consideration. Therefore, the committee decided to meet three times a month until completion.

Public input is crucial to the process. To that end a booth was staffed during the Fall Festival where the public was informed of the nature of the committee's work and a survey was taken to determine the public sentiment on various aspects of land use regulation. Over 150 people took time to complete and return the survey. The results were of great benefit to the committee.

Unfortunately, personal schedule conflicts required two members to resign during the year. Anne Yuryan was appointed to replace Ken Rillings in the spring. At year end, Mary Fitz-Gibbon resigned. The committee greatly appreciated the contributions of each of these members and their presence during the discussions and deliberations were missed.

In order for the final draft to reflect the desires of the residents of Ashfield, all are encouraged to attend meetings and express their opinions. The committee would like to express its deep appreciation to Ms. Gwen Hallsmith, County Planner, who has given selflessly of her time and expertise and provided all of the word processing. The end result will be more comprehensive and thought out because of her.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART EISENBERG, Chairman
JACK McNIFF, Vice-Chairman-Clerk
RAY CASSIDY
PHYLLIS KIRKPATRICK
M. DIANNE MULLER
ANNE YURYAN

Franklin County Commissioners

County Government is outdated and misnamed. It is an extension of the State for managing Jails, Registries of Deeds and Courts. It made sense when judges and prisoners arrived on horseback. Yet the County remains in Massachusetts the nearest thing we have to a sense of "regionalism".

In eastern Massachusetts there are layers and layers of competing agencies serving the public. Here, the towns provide most services. There are some regional agencies—the Regional Housing Authority, the Regional Building Inspector Cooperative, Regional Dispatch, and so on. But these were formed by Franklin County to address specific problems which single, small towns could not handle on their own. They're cost effective and responsive. They work.

Franklin County is the only County which has consistently provided services which save small towns money. The State doesn't understand the small town. We do. We work with the towns to figure out what programs a number of towns need to save money or tackle a problem, and then we do it. And we fight the State when we have to get the County's share of State dollars back to the towns. We **advocate** for our region.

There is a hitch. We still have to operate the Jail, Registry and Courthouse—the items the State wants to tell us how to run. The State doesn't care that we serve our towns well. And now the State's made laws

which force us to dump our town program money into the Jail and Registry. The State won't finance what should be State functions to begin with.

There's a hitch at home, too. After dealing with the State, most towns fiercely protect "home rule". That's the law which reserves for towns all powers the State **doesn't** take. It seems like the State keeps taking, though. And that's why the County tried to get a charter a few years ago—an effort to hang together before we hang separately. Our charter was narrowly defeated at the polls. Something was wrong with the way we went about it. So we're trying again with the Franklin FUTURES Committee to come up with an organization that can serve all of our towns and act as a base from which we can all shout together and be heard in Boston.

If it ain't broke don't fix it. Town boundaries have been there a long time and so they shall remain. But your County **is** broke—the County that is known for being scrappy on Beacon Hill, and working for **towns**—not just jails, not just the Registry. The State is going to **fix us** if we don't move quickly to preserve our right to work together. The "FUTURES" effort you've heard about in the press and radio is our last chance to do for our towns what the State would rather be done their way.

Please support your County—call the Franklin County Commissioners office with your comments and questions about the County and the FUTURES effort. And thank you for just taking the time to hear us out.

JAY DiPUCCHIO
County Administrator

Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program Annual Report — Fiscal Year 1989

I herewith submit my annual report of the F.C.C.B.I.P. for the Fiscal Year 1989.

I believe the most significant measurement of growth for the communities in the F.C.C.B.I.P. is the construction of dwelling units. For the first time in more than five years, the number of dwellings constructed in the fifteen member towns has dropped. The 11% fall in construction of dwelling units is more significant when compared with an average 18% yearly increase in the number of units constructed since 1984. This decline is indicative of the overall economic slowdown evident throughout the northeast.

While overall permits have dropped less than 5%, I believe this to be further indication that the economy throughout the region is in a period of recession. In spite of the decline in construction, this office has been kept busy with zoning enforcement and insuring Building Code compliance.

In March of 1989 the town of Whately joined the Cooperative, bringing the membership up to fifteen towns.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the town officials, builders, and residents of the member towns of the Cooperative for their help, cooperation, and patience during this past year.

Sincerely,

**MICHAEL L. HARRINGTON
Building Commissioner**

F.Y. '89 Budget: \$104,571
 Voted from Free Cash: 8,600
\$113,171

F.C.C.B.I.P.

FISCAL YEAR REPORT FROM JULY 1, 1988 to JUNE 30, 1989

Town	Permits	Value	Dwelling Units**	Permit Fees	Certif. of Occ.	Certif. of Inspec. Issued*	C.I. Fees & Other	Total Fees Collected
Ashfield	97	\$2,791,684	40	\$ 14,440	22	7	\$ 189	\$ 14,629
Barnardston	77	1,734,355	12	8,703	17	14	450	9,153
Buckland	82	1,343,140	8	6,810	12	4	120	6,930
Charlemont	58	2,004,595	18	10,749	8	17	440	11,189
Conway	69	2,407,865	24	11,957	20	10	200	12,157
Erving	41	977,330	13	4,890	24	11	215	5,105
Gill	68	1,512,755	10	7,857	14	30	1,398	9,255
Hawley	16	251,000	3	1,077	3	5	50	1,127
Heath	56	1,812,370	25	8,719	8	3	55	8,774
Leverett	54	1,283,279	10	6,465	18	7	45	6,510
Leyden	42	940,660	9	4,710	9	3	5	4,715
Monroe	4	41,640	0	215	1	1	0	215
Shelburne	66	1,292,050	13	6,430	10	29	810	7,240
Shutesbury	78	2,401,460	30	12,975	22	20	260	13,235
Whately (4 mo.)	26	397,947	3	2,302	1	0	0	2,302
TOTALS	834	\$21,192,130	218	\$108,299	189	161	\$4,237	\$112,536

*These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I. but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

**2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

Franklin County Cooperative Wiring Inspector Program

Report for Calendar Year 1989

	FY 1989 Fees 7/1-12/31	FY 1989 Permits 7/1-12/31	FY 1989 Fees 1/1-6/30	FY 1989 Permits 1/1-6/30	FY 1989 Total Permits	FY 1989 Total Fees
Ashfield	\$ 1,295.00	34	\$ 985.00	25	59	\$ 2,280.00
Barnardston	1,005.00	25	770.00	26	51	1,775.00
Buckland	910.00	25	780.00	20	45	1,690.00
Charlemont	1,225.00	26	880.00	25	51	2,105.00
Conway	1,545.00	38	1,275.00	29	67	2,820.00
Erving	845.00	16	905.00	17	33	1,750.00
Heath	1,180.00	35	605.00	17	52	1,785.00
Leverett	1,460.00	36	490.00	14	50	1,950.00
Monroe	25.00	1	200.00	1	2	225.00
Northfield	2,230.00	47	1,585.00	47	94	3,815.00
Shelburne	1,348.00	33	955.00	31	64	2,303.00
Wendell	810.00	21	1,266.00	19	40	2,076.00
Whately	1,206.00	28	1,345.00	34	62	2,551.00
Totals	\$15,084.00	365	\$12,041.00	305	670	\$27,125.00

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA
Wiring Inspector

Franklin County Cooperative Plumbing & Gas Inspector Program

Report for Calendar Year 1989

	FY 1989 Fees 7/1-12/31	FY 1989 Permits 7/1-12/31	FY 1989 Fees 1/1-6/30	FY 1989 Permits 1/1-6/30	FY 1989 Total Permits	FY 1989 Total Fees
Ashfield	\$ 1,859.00	48	\$ 1,995.00	42	90	\$ 3,854.00
Barnardston	1,059.00	29	740.00	18	47	1,799.00
Buckland	870.00	26	800.00	21	47	1,670.00
Charlemont	1,070.00	21	900.00	18	39	1,970.00
Conway	1,690.00	47	962.00	25	72	2,652.00
Erving	635.00	11	440.00	13	24	1,075.00
Hawley	144.00	3	130.00	4	7	274.00
Heath	850.00	15	450.00	12	27	1,300.00
Leverett	1,885.00	53	545.00	17	70	2,430.00
Leyden	560.00	18	395.00	11	29	955.00
Monroe	0.00	0	155.00	1	1	155.00
Shelburne	1,295.00	30	863.00	22	52	2,158.00
Wendell	510.00	14	575.00	10	24	1,085.00
Whately	1,050.00	37	1,020.00	30	67	2,070.00
Totals	\$13,477.00	352	\$ 9,970.00	244	596	\$23,447.00

PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

Board of Assessors

These past six months have seen a stagnation in real estate sales. We are waiting to see if the market has finally stabilized and at last brought an end to wildly escalating real estate sales.

In preparation for fiscal '91 valuations, we have visited and measured twenty-four new homes and there are forty-five or more places to update. We are very pleased with our new computer which has been of great assistance in speeding up the valuation process as well as compiling many necessary reports.

Next year, fiscal '92 will be the year for recertification of values at 100% by the Department of Revenue. We are planning to use Patriots Properties on a consulting basis to do the statistical analysis.

The board depends a great deal upon the advice and knowledge of the County Assessor Consultant, Margaret Sullivan, in the performance of its duties. She has saved us many trips to the Registry of Deeds as well as telephone calls to the Department of Revenue in Boston and/or use of our town counsel.

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chairman
RICHARD H. GOUGEON
ELISABETH C. NYE
Board of Assessors

Police Department Report

I am pleased and honored to present this, my second report, to the Town of Ashfield as Chief of Police.

1989 was our most industrious and most active year in the history of the Ashfield Police Department. We continue to take a hard line on traffic enforcement. It saves lives.

Larcenies increased by 60 percent and arrests more than doubled. Traffic citations were up by 200 percent. Domestic disturbance complaints, which rose from 17 in 1988 to 42 in 1989, was the most alarming statistic of the year.

A Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program will be started at Sanderson Academy in 1990 in an effort to prevent substance abuse among school children.

The Ashfield Police Explorer post is still active and continues to look for Ashfield youths, male or female, age 14 and in high school up through age 20.

I wish to thank **ALL** of the people who continue to help make the department what it is. The countless hours of donated time and interruptions of a normal life can never be compensated. I especially want to thank Sergeant John LaBelle for his efficiency and expertise in running the department when I have been out of town. All Officers should be praised for the fine, unselfish and untiring contribution they all made for the Town of Ashfield.

I also thank the Ashfield Police Association which provided more than \$1200.00 for police equipment and school scholarships in 1989.

Police Department Receipts

Motor Vehicle Citations	\$15,895.00
Pistol Permits	610.00
Firearms Identification Cards	30.00
Insurance Reports	135.00
Total	<hr/> \$16,657.00

I also want to thank the selectmen and fire department and all of the townspeople for their cooperation and support. In closing, I thank our residents for letting me serve them as Chief of Police. Our function is: "The Badge Means We Care and Protect."

CRIME STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR OF 1988 and 1989

Crime	1989	1988
Assault & Battery	10	7
Assault & Battery on Police	1	1
Assault Dangerous Weapon	1	1
Accidents	67	58
Accident - Fatal	0	1
Alarms	24	11
Arrests	38	17
Breaking & Entering	12	9
Citations: Motor Vehicle	631	231
Court Hours	140	72
Domestic Disturbances	42	17
Investigated incidents	992	840
Larcenies	27	17
Medical Assists	39	33
Missing Persons	2	1
Poss. of Dangerous Weapons	4	0
Poss. of Drugs	2	0
Sexual Assaults	1	1
Stolen Motor Vehicles	1	2
Summonses	50	25
Vacant House Checks	55	50
Vandalism	13	11
Warrants	12	9

Remember if you need the police contact the Dispatch Center at 772-2133 and they will contact the duty officer.

Respectfully submitted,

GARY M. SIBILIA
Chief of Police

Ambulance Service Report

During 1989 the Ashfield Ambulance Service has again seen change just like the other emergency departments in the town. The first being the ever increasing number of requests for Ambulance service. We will exceed "100" runs by years end. The second major change that has come about is the shift in command, just after the first of January from Doug and Dianne Field to myself as Director. I think that the people of the Town of Ashfield and the personnel of the Ambulance service owe them an overwhelming "THANK YOU" for the eight years as Co-Directors. I'm sure that we can still count on them in years to come for that same extra mile of service that they have always given.

An on-going problem that our service has is that we desperately need more E.M.T.'s to help in the work load of 24 hr. a day coverage. At present we have 13 E.M.T.'s and 6 First Responders to take on the time load. At this time we have 3 people taking a course at Franklin Medical Center. If there is anyone that is willing to take the E.M.T. course please get in contact with me.

This year the hospitals in our region have begun training E.M.T.'s to defibrillate heart attack victims in the field. Early in the year our service applied through State grants for funds to purchase the machine at a cost of \$6,000.00. The State turned us down. At this point through gifts given in memory of people, we have set aside \$3,000.00 towards this purchase. As this is a proven life saving device we are hoping that you the people of Ashfield will help us by donating to this purchase.

Each year when the final figures are tallied in our account it is very heartwarming for those of us in the service to know that the total in the account is on the plus side. It is only with this continued support that the service can still operate with very little support from town funds.

In closing I would like to say that without the foresight of the American Legion in 1952 and the dedication of so many people since then, the Ashfield Ambulance Service would not be here today to answer your calls for help. I thank ALL the volunteers past and present for their dedicated service to the people of the Town of Ashfield.

Respectfully submitted:

DOUGLAS MOLLISON (628-3231)

Ambulance Director

DOUGLAS M. FIELD &

DIANNE D. FIELD

Former Co-directors

Belding Memorial Library

Another active year was evident at the library in 1989. Our circulation rose from the previous year with a total of 18,901 compared to 14,630 for 1988; 281 books were added to our collection, 202 adult books with 142 purchased and 60 gifts. The children's room had 79 books added, 54 purchased and 25 gifts, total Inter-Library Loans . . . 343.

Elsa Bakalar gave a slide show and spoke on gardens. "A Year In Bloom" was her theme for the Friends of the Library's spring program in April. The library has her program on video for those who missed it. David Gold filmed it and Dick Mullers presented it to the library.

The summer programs, held Monday mornings during July and August, were sponsored by the "Friends" and were well attended. The theme was "Around the World In The Summer" and included programs on: Wildlife with Tom Ricardi; Crafts with Mimi Pieropan on Micronesia crafts and Laura Dickey with Origami; a Puppet show with Harrison Parker; Music with Eric Goodchild and his bagpipes and story hours with Jay Goldspinner and Penny Novak.

The classes from Sanderson Academy came on Wednesday mornings to use the library, giving the students an opportunity to use the town library and familiarize themselves with our collection.

We added 4 new books by Ashfield authors to our collection: Evan Eisenberg's "Recording Angel"; Maurice Isserman's "If I Had A Hammer"; John Jerome's "Stone Work" and Jan Mahnken's "Hosting The Birds."

A reading group was formed in February. They meet the first Thursday evening of the month at the library. All are welcome.

The annual book sale was again held in the library basement during the fall festival weekend. All the work on the sale was done by the "Friends" with Mary Lucas in charge. The "Friends" also held their Jackpot raffle at the town hall for the benefit of the library. Both ventures had excellent results.

In October we began our Mile of Pennies drive to buy more videos. The approximately 500 videos purchased for the Hilltown Video Circuit through a grant in 1988 have completed their circuit and now we need to buy more videos to update our collection. Our drive has produced about \$100 to date and in order to complete our mile we have to have \$844.80. Each of the 7 libraries in the circuit are having this drive and if we are successful, we will have a substantial amount to spend on videos.

Several permanent videos were given to the library during the year. "The Power of the Myth" was given by an anonymous donor. "The Living Planet" series was another excellent addition. It was begun by John Nawrockis who donated half the money in memory of John's father and other persons donated the rest of the money in memory of Norm Scott and Andrew Kelley. Our appreciation goes to all who contributed to make this

series possible. The video "Stopping The Coming Ice Age," produced by Larry Ephron, along with a book, "The End," was given to the library by Betty Fitzgerald. Local events, programs at the library, town meetings, candidates nights are in video at the library thanks to David Gold and the Ashfield Grange.

The "Friends" annual fall meeting was held in September with Mary P. Howes, John Jerome and Lin Lesure speaking about their books and of Ashfield. This is available in a video given by the Arts Council.

Our thanks go to all who donated books and other material both for the library and the book sale; those who contributed money toward books and memorial funds; those who loaned us material for our display cabinet; to Mrs. Carrolle Markle, who continues to contribute to two memorial funds; Lucy Sagalyn, who gave the library its first electric typewriter and always has her eyes open for things that we need.

I wish to thank the Board of Trustees, the staff, Anne Judson and Nadine Smith, for all their help and support during the year. David Diluzio, our custodian, who takes care of the library and grounds so well. The Friends of the Library for their active support and especially Mary Lucas, who gives so much of her time and effort for the good of the library. Jessie Bennett who volunteered her time during her summer vacation and all our patrons who use the library.

BARBARA ZALENSKI

Librarian

Belding Memorial Library

Report of Income and Expenditures For the Year Ending June 30, 1989

Cash Balance, June 30, 1988

Operating Funds	\$ -184.66
Reserve Funds	
H-NIS 5191	1,861.44
H-NIS 0249	2,342.04
USB 12831	4,086.80
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	5,646.33
Sara Norton Fund	1,084.41
Hope Packard Fund	1,635.52
Markle Funds	1,351.17
Building Fund	505.31
Total	\$18,328.36

INCOME

Town of Ashfield	\$ 6,500.00
State Aid	2,432.21

Contributions	120.00
Other	567.19
Trust Income	
Belding Memorial Trust	4,243.66
Belding Memorial Surplus	444.76
Belding Endowment	86.28
Fred Cross Fund	519.74
Sara Norton Fund	83.77
Alonzo Lilly Fund	435.30
Hope Packard Fund	130.89
Markle Funds	76.85
Reserve Funds Interest	
H-NIS 1110249	144.76
USB 12831	145.74
H-NIS 5191	102.61
Total Income	\$16,033.76

EXPENDITURES

Payroll	\$ 8,270.04
Books and materials	3,361.98
Utilities	1,848.88
Building project	6,184.81
Janitorial	1,630.00
Other	1,169.86
Total Expenditures	\$22,465.57

Cash Balance, June 30, 1989

Operating funds	-2.31
Reserve funds	
H-NIS 0249	2,486.74
USB 12831	384.01
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	6,081.63
Sara Norton Fund	1,168.18
Hope Packard Fund	1,613.13
Markle Funds	1,499.33
Building Fund	10,552.19
Total	\$23,782.90

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD M. EVANS
Treasurer

Belding Memorial Library Board

This proved to be quite an eventful year for the Belding Memorial Library.

During 1989, materials circulated rose from 14,630 to 18,901, for an annual increase of twenty-nine percent. We congratulate the staff — Barbara Zalenski, Anne Judson and Nadine Smith — for this significant expansion of service to library patrons and thank them for their added efforts which such an increase entails.

Early in the winter of 1987, the library began efforts to secure funds for a building and renovation project. A \$30,000 appropriation from the town, \$12,000 raised in a fund drive and a federal grant award made us eligible for funds from the state. Early in the spring of 1989, we received notification that the library had been approved for a grant of \$115,880 from the Massachusetts Public Construction Program. While this was somewhat less than the amount requested in our application, combined with local monies and the federal grant award of \$45,300, it kept the building and renovation project within the range of possibility if an additional source of revenue could be found. Nevertheless, shortfalls on the two grants awarded left the library with a substantial sum still needed. Since we intended to honor our promise to limit our request for aid from Ashfield tax appropriations to \$30,000, it seemed that the library might be forced to refuse the \$161,000 in state and federal grant money and relinquish hopes for the building project.

It was at this time that the library's copy of the Emancipation Proclamation was discovered in the library basement. After lengthy trustee discussion and consultation with museum archivists and Lincolnia experts, a decision was made to sell the document. Several weeks before the scheduled sale, a dispute arose over ownership of the copy of the Emancipation Proclamation. Claims of ownership were made by the selectmen and some residents for the town at large. At this point, negotiations took place between trustees and selectmen and an agreement was reached. The copy of the Emancipation Proclamation was sold soon after for \$105,000 at auction at Sotheby's in New York. At a special town meeting the people of Ashfield, the selectmen and the trustees of the library agreed to a sharing of the proceeds from the sale. It was agreed that \$86,252 would be placed in an account to be used for the building project, with the remaining \$11,116 to be used to establish the Mary Priscilla Howes Fund for the support of cultural projects and events in Ashfield. The sale enabled the library to meet the deadline for acceptance of the state grant in December.

The Friends of the Library provided their invaluable support again in 1989. Their efforts included a well-attended and informative adult program on perennial gardening by Elsa Bakalar and an equally enjoyable evening with Ashfield authors Mary Priscilla Howes, John Jerome and Linwood Lesure. During July and August the Friends provided a weekly children's program of workshops or storytelling and also supplied funds enabling the library to be open an additional two hours each week. At Fall

Festival time the organization operated a large and successful book sale and raffle. Under the able leadership of Sandra Carter, the Friends' work continues to greatly enhance the library's service to the community.

In late October the trustees and librarian attended the annual conference of the Massachusetts Association of Library Trustees in Worcester. At this meeting, we watched with pleasure and pride as Ashfield's own Mary Lucas was named Massachusetts Library Trustee of the Year for her many efforts on behalf of our community's library. December brought the resignation of chairman Noah Gordon. His leadership, vision and perseverance have made possible the chance for an expanded library which will add handicapped accessibility, a larger children's room and young adult area, a meeting room, increased shelf space and much more to the present library facility. In Noah's place we welcomed long-time Ashfield resident Donald Fitzgerald to the Board.

Finally, we extend our appreciation to the staff for their unflagging efforts to make our little library a vital part of our community, and to the many, many friends and patrons who have lent the library their support in so many ways in 1989.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANA BENNETT, **Chairman**
RICHARD EVANS, **Treasurer**
MAURICE ISSERMAN, **Secretary**
MARY LUCAS
DONALD FITZGERALD

Annual Report of the Board of Health

In 1989 the Board of Health reviewed 45 applications for percolation tests and 33 applications for disposal works (septic system) permits, of which 23 were for new construction and 10 for repairs. As of year's end, all but one had been approved. Also issued were 14 permits for septic system installers, 2 for septage haulers, 5 for common victuallers, and one for a family-type campground. We spent considerable time on campground inspections and related meetings in cooperation with the Plainfield Board of Health, because of joint jurisdiction. We worked in cooperation with the Ashfield Planning Board to set up requirements for a subdivision applicant to protect groundwater at the site. We passed a local regulation prohibiting the use of artificial means to lower groundwater to acceptable levels in applications for new construction. We revised our perc test/deep observation hole seasons to March 1-June 15 and October 1-December 15. We worked on proposed local regulations to require septic system inspections with property transfers and on proposed local regulations for private wells. We chose to adopt an optional regulation in Title 5 of the state environmental code which states that septic system designers may be required to perform site inspections on newly-installed systems. We were pleased with the responses from town businesses and government workers to our public education efforts regarding the state Clean Indoor Air Act. Surprisingly, we received no responses to our publicized request to be notified by all property-owners who had wells within 100 feet of utility rights-of-way in order to help protect them from herbicide contamination. Our efforts in pursuing legal remedies against a Title 5 violator were hampered by the unavailability of funds for town counsel.

In October, we received the long-awaited report from MacLeay Associates on village sewage disposal capabilities. This survey was instrumental in the development of our plan to clean up the town's waterways, the focal point of which would be a solar aquatic greenhouse, which would safely and efficiently treat both effluent from sewered septic tanks in portions of the village and also septage from the entire town and possibly from other towns as well. This plan has so far been very well-received by townspeople and, as of this writing, we are working on proposals for basic designs.

Broadening the efforts of our part-time volunteer Board, we helped organize the Franklin-Hampshire Board of Health Association and are again pursuing the feasibility of joining the Foothills Health District in order to secure the services of a certified health officer. We were also pleased to be able to hire Barbara Nubile as our part-time secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY DODSON

TOM LEUE

BRUCE BENNETT, *Chairman*

Council on Aging Report

Like other departments within the town, the council has received funding cutbacks in many of the programs provided through the Shelburne Senior Center. In order to minimize the effects upon elders, the council has done three things. First, services were reorganized in order to make them as cost effective as possible. Secondly, elders were asked to make larger donations for transportation and recreational services and new fees were instituted for health programs. Finally, the council and the senior center have increased their fund raising efforts. While this has resulted in the council being able to keep the center open forty hours per week, it has put a greater burden on low income elders and volunteers who must do the fund raising.

Despite the difficult fiscal times, the council with the Greenfield Council on Aging and the Franklin County Home Care Corporation was able to start a minor home repair service utilizing volunteers in the community. This program which is free to low income elders and a small charge for others has fixed stuck doors, windows, steps, faucets, ramps, changed a light bulb and hung a picture. Jobs which are appropriate for this service should be ones which are too small for a professional and should not take more than a few hours to complete.

The council, received together with the Buckland, Colrain and Shelburne COAs, some grants during the year. The Executive Office of Elder affairs awarded two grants. One was for \$8,000 for the Council on Aging Director and the other was for \$630 for the Case Worker. The Franklin County Home Care Corporation and the FRTA were able to provide \$6,928 for the Med-Ride Program which provides out of the county medical transportation. This program is operated together with the Greenfield and Orange Councils on Aging. The council received assistance from Pioneer Valley AHEC, Inc. to provide a two part workshop on arthritis. This workshop utilized students from GCC.

Health programming has always been a high priority of the council. This year a fair was held in June featuring devices and equipment designed to assist the hearing, visually and physically handicapped, was co-sponsored with the Mohawk Valley Health Education Services. Persons could have their hearing tested, their canes or walkers adjusted and be examined for glaucoma as well as view the displays.

The council also sponsored a two-part workshop on easy exercises. Cass Nawrocki led the series and then made a videotape which was shown twice over the local cable station and is used weekly in the senior center for an exercise group.

Service Statistics

Service	Individuals	Units Received
General Information	15	55
Outreach	37	121

Blood Pressure/Flu	5	9
Other Health Services	5	21
Transportation	1	18
Home Delivered Meals	7	1,878

In all, 52 elders received 7,449 units of service.

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVIA MONK, Chairman

GEORGE MONK

MARIANNE GRAVES

HELENE WALKER

FERN NYE

Dog Officer Report

The Ashfield Dog Officer's position has become more complex with the passing of legislation late in 1989. Massachusetts "ACOAM" or the Animal Control Officers Association of Massachusetts, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council in Needham, Mass., has pending legislation requiring that all animal control officers must take a 96 hour certification course. This course is for all animal control officers, county dog officers, town dog officers and any animal care or control staffs. My understanding is that in the near future I will have to take this course offered in Needham. There is increasing liability connected with the dog officers position, and Massachusetts strongly suggests that certification under the present legislation be completed.

Another concern in Ashfield is the rising number of dog bites and reports of annoying dogs. The pet owners are at fault as much as the dog. If the animals were tied, or under their owners control, these unpleasant incidents would not occur. I would like to remind all pet owners that any damages done to persons or property becomes the pet owners responsibility.

During the year of 1989 a large number of dogs have vanished without a trace. I investigated all the disappearances, and in all cases, if the animal had been restrained, they would probably be here today. Sander-son Academy has had its problems with loose dogs. There is a tremendous liability connected with the education of our children today. This should not be complicated by loose dogs on school property. The school staff and myself have been working to remedy this situation.

In May of this year the dog kennel became "chicken kennel" . . . First, a banded show type chicken was found. The bird was somewhat injured and despite 3 weeks of advertising, it's owner was not located. Shortly thereafter a second chicken was found sitting in the middle of one of our town roads. We are pleased to report that new owners were found for both birds.

The month of July proved to me that packs of dogs still exist. Approximately six dogs, all with their mouths full of quills, were seen running together in the Watson area. For a week straight, we searched and tranquilized four of the six dogs. They were extremely hungry, scared, and not very friendly. The others have not been seen since. After several weeks of advertising and calling, homes were found for all the captured dogs. Through the efforts of volunteer helpers and myself, 23 stray dogs have been placed this year. I wish at this time to thank everyone involved with the Ashfield Animal Control. Without the continued donations of time, food, and materials, these accomplishments would not have been possible. If anyone has information or questions pertaining to dogs, feel free to contact me at 628-3811.

DOG STATISTICS

Dogs placed	23
Dogs destroyed	0
Phone calls	1562
Dogs confined	45
Mileage	3,020
Labor hours	809
Kennel expense	\$416.53
Fines collected	\$259.45

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Dog Officer

Ashfield Energy Resources Commission Report

The Commission met often during 1989 to continue our work on resource issues which affect the town. We worked to improve the way Ashfield disposes of its solid waste. After months of discussion, the Commission recommended that Ashfield join the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC) which was approved at town meeting.

Joining HRMC allowed Ashfield to have the household trash from the compactor dumped in Northampton's new landfill. HRMC has also helped coordinate tire recycling at reduced fees and prepare us for new recycling procedures as the Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) neared completion in Springfield.

Newspaper, magazine and television headlines continued to note solid waste disposal issues this past year from closing landfills to mandatory recycling. These helped bring waste issues to forefront and made our job of educating the public that much easier.

The transfer station continued to be the third largest expenditure for Ashfield's budget. Even though our town's population has grown steadily, the tonnage of household trash has remained constant.

The town continued to enthusiastically recycle cardboard, newspapers, bottles and waste oil, Hudson Trucking of Greenfield hauled the corrugated cardboard which they bundle and sell. Day's Recycling of Greenfield continued to haul away all those newspapers, although the markets were drying up since there was too much recycled newsprint available. Glass was sold to Day's Recycling. As a result of recycling, the town avoided disposal costs of over \$9,600.00

Waste oil, tires and appliances were collected on the first Saturday of the month. Rich Jenkins of Greenfield was hired to haul away the appliances.

New member Alice Pratt came on board with much enthusiasm and resources. She began to look into the possibilities of plastic recycling.

Much time was spent in writing articles to educate the public and ourselves about the most efficient ways to deal with recycling. New rules went into effect at the landfill to prolong its life, which is rapidly coming to an end.

The Commission welcomes all ideas and suggestions from the community.

PHILIP PLESS, Chairman
DOUG CRANSON
CURTIS PICHETTE
THOMAS McCURM
CHRISTINE REID
ALICE PRATT

Ashfield Historical Commission

The Ashfield Historical Commission met monthly during this fiscal year at their regular scheduled meetings. Several members attended workshops concerning regional matters that affect local commissions. The main focus of the commission this year was to complete the application for the Village area to be placed on the National Register. The application is currently under State review, a process which takes many months. Once the State review is complete, the application will be sent on for National review. As a National Register District, the Village's historical features will be protected when state or federal money is being used for a project.

The photographic inventory of all structures 50 yrs. or older within the Town of Ashfield has been completed as well as the inventory sheets cataloguing data for each. A walk was held in the fall which enabled members and friends to view some of the stone bridge structures and dams located throughout the Town. Of particular concern are the stone bridge in Apple Valley and the dam adjacent to the DAR State Forest.

The commission was especially pleased to see the restoration of the Ashfield House, which is a key building in the Town. We applaud the Corbetts for their wholehearted efforts to keep the historical features intact. This makes the second building on the Main Street to be restored using federal standards; the first being the old "Sandy's Garage" which was restored by Dodson Associates.

The commission welcomed Richard Turner as a new member of the board. Members of the commission are: Deanne Brochu, Chairman, Anne Yuryan, Susan McGowan, Thomas Ulrich, and Richard Turner. Monthly meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANNE BROCHU, Chairman

Conservation Commission Report

The Conservation Commission reviewed 12 requests for Determination & Notices of Intent. These involved septic system locations, house sites and driveway/road locations by landowners, as well as drainage and culvert work by the Highway Dept. The Mass. Dept. of Public Works had two job sites in South Ashfield that came under the commission's review.

Requests for Determination decide whether or not the site is in a wetlands, therefore being protected by the Wetlands Protection Act and the Notices of Intent are filed by the landowner to inform the commission as to the proposed work in an area which was determined to be a wetlands.

The Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) has a new name — the Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP). Along with the new name is a new fee schedule intended to bring the state and the town additional revenue (i.e. . . . it costs more).

The Conservation Commission went on record as supporting the Solar-Aquatic Sewage Treatment proposal by the Board of Health. If the townspeople choose this proposal, the commission will work with the Board of Health to obtain the necessary permits under the Wetlands Protection Act.

The minutes of the Conservation Commission are on file at the town office, as are maps concerning endangered wetland species in Ashfield and site plans of all work under the commission's jurisdiction. These records may be seen upon request to the Conservation Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

ALAN SURPRENANT, Chair
KENNETH ROBERTS
MARK SPEES
RICHARD MULLER

Report of the Planning Board

Business for the Planning Board has remained steady through the past year. To accommodate this work, the board has gone from one to two regular meetings a month.

Membership on the board has also changed. Grace Lesure and Mark Spees were elected to replace Buz Eisenberg and Ethel Kipen. Dianne Muller was appointed to replace Mary Fitz-Gibbon who resigned at the end of the year. The board would like to express sincere gratitude to Mary for her long years of service and hard work.

Following a public hearing in early May of 1989, subdivision regulations were amended by a vote of the board. A per lot fee was instituted for the various types of subdivision plans. These fees will help to defray some of the administrative costs incurred while processing ANR, Preliminary and Definitive plans. Numerous lots have been created throughout town this past year through the ANR process.

Consulting service fees, to be paid by the applicant, were also instituted. It is hoped that these fees will allow the board to receive expert advice when it is needed to review complex subdivision plans.

The board received thirteen applications for Special Permits. Eleven were granted and two were withdrawn. This number is slightly less than the previous year. Permits were granted for a variety of uses from general construction, metal working and consulting services to studio art production, craft shop and the manufacture of kaleidoscopes. A permit was also granted to the Ashfield House to allow part of the building to be used as classroom space for Sanderson Academy.

The Planning Board in cooperation with Peter Johnson supported the application for an Open Space Grant. Since the Town has been notified that it has received this grant, it is hoped that a committee will be set up in the spring of 1990 to develop an Open Space Plan for the Town of Ashfield.

Through the dual membership of some board members who serve on the Bylaw Review Committee, continuous contact has been maintained with the subcommittee. The board looks forward to the final stage of review and cooperation that will eventually present the proposed revised bylaws to the entire town.

And finally, the board hired Ruth Zenick as secretary. Her services have become immediately invaluable in handling the ever-increasing required paperwork of processing applications, minutes, records and letters.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD CHANDLER
GRACE LESURE, Clerk
M. DIANNE MULLER
MARK SPEES
ANNE YURYAN, Chair

Report of the Shared Administrative Assistant

As shared administrative assistant for the towns of Ashfield and Plainfield and the Ashfield Water District, I have been busy finding ways to save money wherever possible, keeping up with new regulations and doing various projects under the direction of the selectmen and water commissioners.

I am Ashfield's representative for the Community Development Block Grant which provides \$638,580 for housing rehabilitation in Ashfield and Conway and the Core Focus Program Grant which awarded \$300,000 for the Ashfield House for apartments and office space. The Core Focus money will be repaid to the town for use on other eligible projects.

One of my projects has been to research the town's insurance policies to see if we could save money. I discovered that we could switch the policies to a different broker offering comparable policies with lower premiums. The exact savings won't be known until the end of the fiscal year but a good estimate would be about \$9,000.

Since 1987, Ashfield has been owed \$14,178 as reimbursement for flood damage on federal highways. After several letters and telephone calls to the Department of Public Works and a trip to the DPW headquarters in Boston, the money was reimbursed in December.

As coordinator of the computerization of the town office, I am happy to report that the hardware and software are working well. We have already saved several hours of time and anticipate greater savings in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER M. JOHNSON

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

As I write this report, the primary concerns that most of us have are the poor economic conditions that exist in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The economic factors have had a chilling effect on the town and school budgets for this year. It has required the imposing of a spending freeze on purchases as of September, 1989 for some of the school districts. There has been a hiring freeze on some of the positions, which has resulted in either a reduction or the elimination of non-teaching positions. In two school systems the school committees have approved budget reallocation plans of up to \$150,000, in order to provide enough funds to cover unanticipated expenditures this year, and to provide some funds to help reduce assessments in the 1990-1991 school budget. Based on the limited information that's available at this time, school committees don't anticipate any increases in state aid, and there may even be a decrease in the funds that are available.

The implementation of a spending freeze usually results in false economy as the need to replace textbooks, instructional materials, and equipment, places additional pressure on the budget for the next school year. The problem also exists in the area of deferred building maintenance. We know from past experience that leaking roofs cause damage to ceiling and floor tiles. Equipment that needs to be repaired or replaced becomes more expensive in future years.

At this time the school committees are involved in budget preparation for next year. The budgets for Fiscal 1991 represent one of the most difficult challenges that school districts have faced. When Proposition 2½ was passed, the state provided additional funds to local school districts and communities. This year, the state, local communities, and school districts, do not have any reserve funds, which places incredible pressure on the budget process.

There has been considerable discussion on determining acceptable increases for the budget next year. Level funded budgets mean a reduction in personnel, programs, and materials. It's almost certain that level funded budgets will mandate a reduction in the number of available teachers for each school. This will dictate larger class sizes and the reduction of program options. It will likely result in a review of graduation requirements, as students will have fewer options for class selection. Extra curricular activities will also be in jeopardy unless an alternate source of funding can be secured. I have grave concerns about the negative impact of level funded budgets on the quality of education for students.

At the annual town meetings this year, voters will have to make some difficult decisions about the level of services that will be available in our various communities. School districts will need the continued support of community members in order to maintain the high caliber of schools that currently exist.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE E. WILLARD
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Sanderson Academy School Principal

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Sanderson Academy for the school year 1988-1989.

The 21 Ashfield students who graduated in June of 1989 are:

Christopher Chasse
Shana Clark
Jonas Contakos
Laura Desmarais
Julie Fuller
Lisa Herringshaw
Geovany Miller
Joshua Phelps
Heather Shea
Katie Smithers
Nathan Wynne

Christopher Churchill
Andrew Clarke
Betsy Cranston
Liam Doyle
Amy Heddens
Claudia Johnson
Stephen Mouglin
Nicholas Phelps
Sarah Shippee
Alfred Viner Jr.

The total student enrollment at Sanderson Academy on December 1, 1989 equals 233 students in grades K-6. The number of total students at each grade level is as follows: Kindergarten 29 children; grade one 44 children; grade two has 28 students; grade three 33; grade four 32; grade five has a total of 39 students and grade six equals 28 students. This year there are 160 students attending Sanderson from Ashfield, 71 students from Plainfield and 2 tuition students, one in kindergarten and one in fifth grade. There are two classes per grade level and all classes are heterogeneously grouped.

The faculty this year consists of 13 regular classroom teachers and one special needs teacher. There are 4 part-time teachers for art, music and gym. Jean Tobin-Corso was hired to provide psychologist/counseling services on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Decreased funding of the Exxential Skills/Chapter I grant monies made it impossible for us to have two full-time teachers to work with students who have supplementary needs in reading, math and writing. We have one full-time teacher in a coteaching situation and a part-time aide providing services to children needing additional support in one or more of those basic skills areas.

There have been several staff changes during the year. Sara Renner, second grade teacher, resigned and Valerie Abramson, formerly a first grade teacher, took her place for the year. Karen Pedersen was hired to replace her in first grade. Katherine First, second grade teacher, is on maternity leave (a healthy, howling girl!). Gina Fusco, who used to be an Essential Skills teacher, replaced her. Sandra Carter, music teacher, is also on maternity leave (a vibrant, vocal boy!) and Karen Wilson-Plaza replaced her as vocal music teacher. Beth Bryant was hired to teach instrumental music on Wednesdays.

The Horace Mann Grant funding was drastically cut this year. Only one teacher's proposal was funded. This proposal will allow the teacher to prepare a Spanish curriculum guide to expand our Mexican kit. A CII grant for inservice training was also funded. This training will be on individualizing instruction.

Members of our family serve on several advisory boards: Early Childhood Council, School Improvement Council, Insurance, Regional Task Group on Education, and the Middle School Council. They also participate in PTO, PAC and School Committee meetings.

The social studies curriculum was revised and rewritten. The physical education, art, and music curriculum guides were written by the respective teachers.

Sanderson's Early Childhood grant was refunded. This allows the Ashfield Preschool and Sanderson to provide services to 24 preschool children and their families. Sanderson will be an Opportunity School for the next three years, which provides Sanderson with extra funding.

The program with The Arts Council of Franklin County for our third and fourth grade students continues. This past fall they have worked on a "Shelter" series which will continue in the spring with a different artist and another focus. The Ashfield and Plainfield Arts Lottery Councils have funded programs which allowed Jay Goldspinner to perform and teach about storytelling. The PASS program made it possible for the first and second graders to see "The Nutcracker" in Northampton.

Continued population changes have again necessitated building changes. Two rooms in the Ashfield House will be used for classrooms. The sixth grades will be housed there.

Parent volunteers again provide support to our classroom teachers. Parents and townspeople work with individuals in small groups or help in the preparation of materials.

The Parent Advisory Council remains active. They have been instrumental in improving the lunches served to students.

The PTO has had a successful fund drive for the playground. The new structure is up and being enjoyed to its fullest.

Donations have been received from the Sanderson Trustees and the Business Fund for the Arts in Greenfield. These monies have been used to cover our share of the Arts Council's "Shelter" programs and for classroom materials. The Ashfield Lions Club has sponsored a proposal to Lions International to help defray the cost of the new copy machine in the office. We will know in February whether it has been funded or not.

This first year has been a challenging, exciting, and rewarding one. Participating in the Commonwealth Leadership Institute will be useful in tackling the peaks and valleys of this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

IDALIA MORALES, Ed.D.

Principal of Sanderson Academy

Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1989

After Transfers

Assets:		Liabilities:	
Cash:		Payroll Deductions:	
United Bank	\$ 12,260.10	Teachers Retirement	\$ 11.55
M.M.D.T.	117,607.14	Blue Cross, Blue Shield	<u>1,634.83</u>
			\$ 1,646.38
To Be Received:		Blue Cross, Blue Shield,	
Town of Ashfield		Others:	346.08
Town of Plainfield			
Commonwealth of		School Lunch Fund	\$ (5,008.65)
Massachusetts:		Meals Tax	<u>0.00</u>
To Be Received:			(5,008.65)
Chapter 70		Grants:	
Chapter 71, Reg. Aid		Gifted & Talented	\$ (7,103.31)
Chapter 71, Transp.		Gifted & Talented	
Other State Aid		Opportunities	<u>(1,822.69)</u>
	\$129,867.24		(8,926.00)
TOTAL ASSETS:		Band Revolving:	(53.03)
		Estimated Receipts:	
		Interest	
		Miscellaneous	
		Comm. of Mass.	

Budget	
Encumbered Salaries:	35,527.20
Unrestricted Surplus:	35,835.26
Restricted Surplus:	70,500.00
Total Liabilities:	\$129,867.24

Note: The complete financial report is available for inspection in the Ashfield Town Office.

Mohawk Trail Regional High School Annual Report of the Mohawk Principal

I am pleased to present my eighth annual report as Principal of Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The past year was one which was marked by a high degree of success in areas of academics, atheltics, and musical endeavors. It was also a year which was marked by budgetary restraints which confined our ability to support education as in previous years.

Mohawk students scored well above state norms in the Massachusetts Basic Skills Testing Program with over 97% of students receiving passing grades in math, reading and writing assessments. Scores on other standardized testing have shown steady improvement. In other curriculum areas, Mohawk was able to continue to offer its EMT training program and to provide a regular education program for students with behavioral problems. This year, however, has seen the reduction of a math and a science teacher.

Athletically, Mohawk students continued to succeed. Our participation rate exceeds 35% of the student body. Many league championships were achieved. In the area of music, middle school students were involved in the production of "Anything Goes." At this writing, the school is preparing for its presentation of the "King and I." Music students are travelling to Disney World in California and to a competition in Toronto in the spring.

Our achievements this past year were many. We were able to sustain ourselves despite reduced aid from the State in support of our budget. A spending freeze occurred this year in September which prevented further purchase of texts, supplies and equipment. Further reductions of \$150,000.00 were necessitated in the winter months. Many items went unpurchased.

We approach the coming year with apprehension. We forsee reduced budgets and a lack of response by the State in dealing with those issues involved in the financial support of education. We are committed, however, to the highest quality of education in a disciplined setting. Our people are our greatest resource.

We thank you for your support and we solict continued efforts on your part as we approach a potentially very difficult budget process. Our greatest asset is our youth—they are the future.

**PHILIP A. DZIALO
Principal**

1989 MOHAWK GRADUATES FROM THE TOWN OF ASHFIELD

Tracy Chasse
Padraic Doyle
Deborah Field
Lawrence Fuller
Amanda Graves
Joslyn Hamilton
Cindie Hurley
Pandora Judge

Alison Mace
Jennifer Millner
Lisa Page
Heidi Seebeck
Stephanie Senecal
Jack Stewart
Jennie Woloss
Jason Yuryan

Special Education Report

As of December 1, 1989, there are 304 children receiving special education services throughout the nine towns of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District. This accounts for approximately 16% of the total student population.

The majority of special services are provided within the individual's school district whenever possible. When, as in some cases, it becomes more effective to provide out-of-district services, such services are sought.

Chapter 766 of the Acts of 1972 requires that "school age children: any person of ages three through twenty-one up to his/her twenty-second birthday, who has not obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent and who are not progressing effectively in a regular education program because of temporary or more permanent adjustment difficulties or attributes arising from intellectual, sensory, emotional, or physical factors, cerebral dysfunctions, perceptual factors, or other specific learning impairments," may be eligible for special education services.

In order to meet the needs of our students, a wide variety of services are provided. A number of these services and their providers cover the entire nine town district, while others are found in individual districts.

System-wide, adaptive physical education, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and the services of an Early Childhood Coordinator are provided. A great deal of the therapy provided is on a one-to-one or small group basis. The goals and objectives that the therapist and student work on are addressed in the child's Individual Education Plan. These goals and objectives are periodically reviewed so the child's program will continuously provide for the best possible program.

The Early Childhood Coordinator is responsible for implementing federally mandated child search activities in the nine town area throughout the year. The Early Childhood Coordinator coordinates and/or participates in: a) special needs screening of preschoolers age 3 to 5 years; b) special needs screening of Kindergarteners; and c) team meetings of preschoolers and Kindergarteners. The Early Childhood Coordinator

acts as a liaison with outside agencies serving young children as well as coordinating special education services to preschoolers ages 3 to 5 years. The Early Childhood Coordinator also acts as a resource person to parents, teachers and other school staff in regard to resources, programs and services for young special needs children.

Side by Side West is one of the programs overseen by the Early Childhood Coordinator. This is an integrated preschool program with regular and special needs children. The teacher, along with two full time aides, provides an enriching environment which challenges their students and provides support and guidance for parents and other support staff connected with the program.

Substantially-separate classrooms are operated within two of our districts. The Hawlemont Regional School District and the Mohawk Trail Regional High School both have such programs. These programs service children that require a greater amount of individual or small group attention than can be provided for in regular education programs alone. These children spend the majority of their day under the guidance of special education personnel.

The goal of our special education services is to "mainstream," that is to integrate the child into regular education programs as much as possible. The Resource Room programs within our district strive to mainstream youngsters as much as possible. There are eight resource rooms throughout the nine town district; 3 at Mohawk and one in each of the elementary schools. Most of the students serviced by these resource rooms are seen for one to two hours per day for areas such as language arts, math, study skills, etc. The resource room teacher often coordinates the child's program with that of the regular education program. With the assistance of special education aides, the goals and objectives of each child's Individualized Education Plan are implemented and evaluated periodically.

Each of the schools within our district receives services from a school psychologist. The school psychologist contributes a variety of services to our schools. Chief among these services are their assessments of individual's abilities and the counseling provided to individuals.

All of the support services provided within our nine town district depend upon the strong networking of talents. Parents, through individual and Parent Advisory Council support, school personnel and outside support agencies, all assist in providing guidance in programs for children in both special and regular education programs. It is this coordinated effort that strengthens special education programs and enables us to meet the special needs of those we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD J. McINERNEY
Special Education Director

School Library/Media Center Report

The district wide library/media center goals for this year were to publish a K-12 catalog of video tapes and to continue to weed material from the collections of each school library. Individual libraries are currently addressing specific building goals such as fund-raising, effective utilization of space, and card catalog reorganization.

Workshops on various aspects of library science have been held on a regular basis at the elementary school libraries in the district, and several staff members have participated in a series of classes leading to certification by the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System.

The school library/media centers continue to express major hardships due to financial problems; new material, equipment, supplies and personnel have all been affected. Financial limitations have made it virtually impossible to provide the quality programs and services to library patrons that we have been able to provide in the past. The decade of the 1990's does not appear to offer any solution to the financial crisis at hand.

Despite major decreases in material, supplies and personnel, the district library/media centers have circulated more material in 1989 than in any single previous year. The demand for service has increased significantly as reflected in this year's circulation statistics:

Print Material	40,631
Nonprint Material	4,743
Interlibrary Loan	186

Total circulation of all materials in the six school district libraries reached 45,560 items; that is 2,000 more than last year. Due in large measure to the continuing Block Grant funds approximately 1,640 new items were catalogued and added to the collections.

Library/media center personnel are as follows: Buckland-Shelburne Regional School - Toni Wilcox; Colrain Central School - Genie Lynch; Hawlemont Regional School - Sandy Gilbert; Rowe Elementary School - Wanda Musacchio; Sanderson Academy - Beverly Williams and Barbara Pantermehl; Mohawk Trail Regional School - Susan Silvester, Julie Dupree and Marjorie Porrovecchio.

DR. SUSAN B. SILVESTER
Director of Instructional
Media K-12

Balance Sheet at June 30, 1989

Assets:77

Towns:		
Ashfield	218,074.81	
Buckland	1,126.73	
Charlemont	78,666.60	
Colrain	71,500.00	
Hawley		369,368.14
Heath		
Plainfield		0.00
Shelburne		
Asbestos Town Receipts		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Chapter 70		
Regional Aid		
Transportation		
Other State Aid		
Interest Receivables		
Asbestos CD	1,197.00	
Inventory - Cafeteria	2,145.00	
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$653,021.40	
Fund Balances:		
Asbestos	218,074.81	
EOER	1,126.73	
Unrestricted Surplus	78,666.60	
Restricted Surplus	71,500.00	
		369,368.14
School Budget Balance		0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		
AND RESERVES:		\$653,021.40

Chapter 188 Health Grant	134.49
Summer Speech Enrichment	912.00
Summer Enrichment	3,239.00
Chapter I FY89	12,905.99
Total Grants	<u>\$ 36,564.24</u>

Note: The complete financial report is available for inspection in the Ashfield Town Office.

Mohawk Trail Regional School District Vocational Account

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1989

Assets:		Liabilities and Reserves:	
Cash, MMDT	\$356,805.38	Notes Payable	\$525,000.00
Cash, State Street	<u>15,970.56</u>	Loan Offset	(525,000.00)
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$372,775.94	Estimated Receipts:	
		Interest Earned	\$ 24,424.95
		Chapter 70	0.00
		Town Receipts	221,560.92
		Miscellaneous	9,361.91
		Loan	<u>265,000.00</u>
			520,347.78
			\$520,347.78

Expenses:	
Tuition	(120,460.49)
Transportation	(95,498.20)
Interest	(33,572.88)
Miscellaneous	<u>(70.00)</u>
Fund Balance	(249,601.57)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:	<u>(102,029.73)</u>
	<u>\$372,775.94</u>

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1989 For Vocational Account After Final Transfers

Assets:		
Cash, MMDT	\$356,805.38	
Cash, State Street	<u>15,970.56</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>\$372,775.94</u>	
Liabilities and Reserves:		
Notes Payable		\$790,000.00
Loan Offset		<u>(790,000.00)</u>
Fund Balance		372,775.94
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:		<u>\$372,775.94</u>

List of Appropriations — Fiscal 1990

The following is a true list of appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 6, 1989:

	Borrowing	Taxation	Available
	\$	\$	Funds
			\$
Administrative Asst./Accountant		24,000.00	
Assessors' Expenses		12,910.00	
Audit & Accountant Services		2,750.00	
Belding Memorial Library (DR)		7,400.00	1,000.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield		15,000.00	
Board of Appeals		470.00	
Bonds		800.00	
Bldg. Insp. Program/Plumbing/Wiring (Free Cash)			21,513.65
Care of Soldiers' Graves		350.00	
Road Monies			
Chapter 15			
Chapter 497 - Gen. Highway	59,044.00	20,956.00	
Burnett Bridge Repairs		65,000.00	
Circuit Rider Program		3,000.00	
Civil Defense Expenses		2,700.00	
Conservation Commission		2,100.00	
Council on Aging		200.00	
Dog Officer Expenses		1,147.00	
Elections		150.00	
Fires & Equipment		600.00	
Fire Dept. Pumper Tanker/Equipment (St. F.)	100,000.00	16,785.00	41,900.00
F.C. Dispatch Center		9,820.60	
Health. Board of		3,750.00	

Heating Town Hall & Fire Station	3,800.00	
Highway Dept. Vacations/Holidays	5,000.00	
Highway Dept. Sick Leave	2,000.00	6,343.00
Highway Sander (Free Cash)		
Highway Superintendent's Salary		
Highway Truck (Free Cash)	26,000.00	42,023.59
Hilltown Resource Man. Coop.		
Historical Commission	6,000.00	
Inspector of Animals	300.00	
	150.00	
Insurance - Pub. Off. Liability	3,180.00	
Insurance - Town Bldgs. & Equip (Free Cash)		
Interest/Principal-Grader Loan (\$3,535.51 + \$15,530.00)	19,065.51	29,727.00
Interest on Loans	3,500.00	
Interest/Principal-Sewer Loan (\$4,533.75 + \$15,000.00)	19,533.75	
Lifeguard & Swimming Instruction	5,000.00	
Machinery Expenses	40,000.00	
Memorial Day	500.00	
Office Computerization	14,500.00	
Office Expenses	4,900.00	
Parks & Beach	2,675.00	
Planning Board Expenses	1,717.00	
Share Open-Space Study	200.00	
Police Chief's Salary	25,000.00	
Police Dept.	26,050.00	
Registrars of Voters	500.00	
Rent of Hydrants	1,693.52	5,000.00
Reserve Fund (Free Cash)		
Retirement System, Maint.	20,131.00	
Schools - Ashfield Plainfield Regional	246,068.00	
- Mohawk Trail Regional High School	364,267.05	
Street Lights	6,642.00	

Street Lists	450.00	
Tax Collector's Expenses	4,748.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00	
Town Counsel	7,000.00	
Town Hall, Maintenance	3,750.00	
Town Hall Renovation (Fred Cross Fund)		4,000.00
Town Officers (Free Cash)		19,000.00
Town Reports & Valuation Lists		
Transfer Station	3,000.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	84,000.00	
Tree Warden	1,500.00	
Unemployment Compensation	3,000.00	
Veterans Benefits	500.00	
Veterans' Center	100.00	
Winter Roads	3,065.60	
Workmen's Compensation	55,000.00	
Medicare	8,850.00	
	2,500.00	
	<u>\$159,044.00</u>	
	\$1,216,475.03	<u>\$170,507.24</u>

GRAND TOTAL: \$1,546,026.27

Special Meeting, November 14, 1989
 Fire Station Improvements
 Fire Dept. Pumper/Tanker Equipment
 Town Hall Renovation

\$	5,544.50	
	11,100.50	
	4,500.00	
	<u>\$1,237,620.03</u>	<u>\$170,507.24</u>

ATTEST:

LORRAINE GORDON, Town Clerk

Town Meeting Warrant

NOTE: This Warrant is for the voter's information only and changes, additions and/or deletions may occur. Due to the present fiscal uncertainties regarding state revenues, there is a distinct possibility that there may be further cuts prior to the posting of the Official Warrant.

FRANKLIN, SS:

To any of the constables of the Town of Ashfield in the County of Franklin, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet in said Ashfield, on Saturday, the fifth day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator, Auditor, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tree Warden, all for One year terms. A Selectman, Assessor, Two Finance Committee Members, Sanderson School Committee Member, Board of Health Member and a Park Commissioner, all for three year terms. A Member of the Planning Board and a Library Trustee, each for a Five year term. A Park Commissioner, Finance Committee Member and a Planning Board Member, all for unexpired Two year terms and a Library Trustee for an unexpired One year term and the following question: "Shall the Town of Ashfield be allowed to assess an additional \$50,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of defraying projected deficiencies in state aid to our public schools for the fiscal year beginning July first, nineteen hundred and ninety?" Polls may close at 6:00 p.m.

67,200 ARTICLE 2. To act on the reports of the Town Officers.

5100 ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,700.00 to operate and maintain the Transfer Station and Recycling Facility, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,100.00 for the annual operational and administrative expenses of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC), or take any other action relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

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97-15,000

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will petition the general court to pass legislation allowing the retention of all deeds excise tax revenues collected in Franklin County under Chapter 193, Acts of 1989, to be used exclusively for the purpose of providing regional municipal and human services within Franklin County.

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ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 in anticipation of partial reimbursement under Chapter 497 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971, as amended, and transfer into a General Highway Fund, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

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ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 from Free Cash for Winter Roads, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

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ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,400.00 from Free Cash to purchase a new plow for the Highway Department, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. Note: This article will ask for discontinuance of several town roads. Necessary research and background data for a listing of these roads had not been completed at the time of publishing this report.

9-7000
ARTICLE 10. (This article by petition). To see if the Town will vote to accept Stonewall Drive as approved by the Planning Board on March 28, 1984 under the provisions of the Subdivision Control Law, all as shown on the plan entitled "Stonewall Acres" Plan of Land-Property of Stanley W., Stephen W., & David S. Deck on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

38-200
ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,000.00 and transfer Machinery Earnings of \$1,412.04 to the 1991 Fiscal Year Machinery Expense account to be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

27,200
ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,600.00 to pay the salary of the Highway Superintendent, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,695.51 in order to pay \$15,530.00 towards the principal (\$62,120.00) and \$2,165.51 of interest on the Highway Grader Loan, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any used Town Owned Equipment and/or property, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by deed and/or take by eminent domain the premises herein described below and to appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 from Chapter 811 funds for said purchase, or take any action relative thereto. The parcels are bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the old southerly sideline and the new northerly sideline of Barnes Road; Thence: N 57° 42' 01" E 39.17 feet by the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road to a point; Thence: N 33° 13' 31" E 97.12 feet by the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road to a point of curvature; Thence: By a curve to the right having a radius of 4.68 feet, a length of 8.24 feet to a point of tangency; Thence: S 45° 46' 29" E 54.23 feet by the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road to a point; Thence: S 74° 11' 05" E 7.80 feet by the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road to the point of intersection with the new northerly sideline of Barnes Road; Thence: Southwesterly by a curve to the left having a radius of 307.19 feet a length of 43.17 feet to a point of tangency; Thence: S 64° 36' 47" W 110.34 feet by the new northerly sideline of Barnes Road to the point of beginning. Containing 3518 s.f. and being shown as parcel 4 on "Plan of Land, Barnes Road, Ashfield, Mass., October 27, 1989, E.J. Flynn Engineers, Inc."

Beginning at a gun barrel set at the intersecting lines of the old and new southerly sidelines of Barnes Road; Thence: N 45° 56' 40" E 112.97 feet to a point; Thence: N 57° 42' 01" E 114.98 feet to a point; The preceding two courses by the old sideline of Barnes Road; Thence: N 64° 36' 47" E 110.34 feet by the new northerly sideline of Barnes Road to a gun barrel at a point of curvature; Thence: By a curve to the right having a radius of 307.19 feet, a length of 43.17 feet to a point on the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road; Thence: S 74° 11' 05" E 167.98 feet by the old southerly sideline of Barnes Road to the

point where the old and new sidelines converge; Thence: West-
erly & southwesterly by a curve to the left having a radius of
257.19 feet a length of 184.95 feet to a gun barrel at a point of
tangency; Thence: S 64° 36' 47" W 331.51 feet to a point of
beginning. Containing 16,818 s.f. and being shown as parcel 5
on "Plan of Land, Barnes Road, Ashfield, Mass., October 27,
1989, E.J. Flynn Engineers, Inc."

Said parcels being a portion of the premises conveyed by
deed of Donald S. Graves to June L. Heideman, Mark D.
Graves and Suzanne E. Connell as Tenants in Common, dated
January 20, 1989 and recorded with the Franklin County Reg-
istry of Deeds, Book 2309, Page 54.

30-B
ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the
following By-Law prepared by the Board of Selectmen:

Unless otherwise provided by a vote of Town Meeting, the
Board of Selectmen pursuant to General Laws, Chapter 30B, is
authorized to enter into any contract for the exercise of the
Town's corporate powers, on such terms and conditions as are
deemed appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the
Board of Selectmen shall not contract for any purpose, on any
terms, or under any conditions inconsistent with any applic-
able provision of any general or special law.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and
appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the
Treasury such sums of money as may be necessary to defray
town charges for the following accounts:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$ 23,500.00
Bonds	800.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves	350.00
Council on Aging	1,147.00
Dog Officer Expenses	150.00
Elections	600.00
Health, Board of	3,750.00
Heating Town Buildings	3,800.00
Inspector of Animals	150.00
Interest on Loans	3,500.00
Medicare	3,000.00
Memorial Day	500.00
Registrars of Voters	500.00
Retirement System	21,206.00
Street Lights	3,339.00

Street Lists	250.00
Town Counsel	7,000.00
Town Hall	3,750.00
Town Reports	3,000.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00
Veterans' Center	3,390.00
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	\$ 86,282.00

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Highway Dept. - Paid Vacations & Holidays	\$ 6,500.00	7600
Highway Dept. - Sick Leave	2,700.00	3300
Insurance - Public Official Liability	2,500.00	2500
Insurance - Town Buildings & Equipment	21,000.00	
Workmen's Compensation	13,500.00	13500
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	\$ 46,200.00	47900

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Accounting & Audit Service	\$ 2,750.00	
Administrative Assistant/Accountant	25,000.00	25128
Appeals, Board of	360.00	
Conservation Commission	200.00	
Historical Commission	200.00	
Office Expenses	3,800.00	
Planning Board Expenses	1,645.00	
Tax Collector's Expenses	3,373.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses	550.00	
Town Officers	19,000.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	1,200.00	
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	\$ 58,070.00	

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

15,650
ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,650.00 for Assessors' Expenses, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to pay the costs to recertify the values of Real and Personal Property for Fiscal Year 1992, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,820.60 to pay our share of the dispatching costs of the Franklin County Emergency Dispatch Center, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,150.00 in order to pay \$20,000.00 towards the principal (\$100,000.00) and \$7,150.00 of interest on the Fire Department Pumper/Tanker Loan, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1990, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,520.43 in order to pay \$15,000.00 towards the principal (\$54,750.00) and \$3,520.43 of interest on the Sewer Loan, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1990-1991 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield School Committee for direct service expenditures. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1990-1991 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield-Plainfield Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1990-1991 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Mohawk Trail Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures. (Recommended by Finance Committee) *28-A - Modify agreement*

28-B - Modify agreement
ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$472,083.08 (Capital, \$2,173.48; Operating, \$412,428.59; Vocational Brokering, \$57,481.01) to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1991 Capital, Operating and Vocational Brokering cost budget for the Mohawk Trail Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

29-B - Modify agreement
ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$327,674.00 to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1991 Operating cost budget of the Ashfield-Plainfield Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

30-B - Modify agreement
ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,375.00 for Park & Beach operations and maintenance, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

31-B - Modify agreement
ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Lake Feasibility Study account for Weed Control at Ashfield Lake, or act relative thereto.

32-B - Modify agreement
ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Lake Feasibility Study account in order to contract for a Preliminary System Design for sewage treatment in the village area, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,750.00 for a Lifeguard and swimming instruction for the Town Beach, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to pay for renovation and improvements in the Town Hall, and to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to draw on the Frederick Cross General Purpose Fund for this amount, and in addition, to accept any monies and/or grants which may be received for this purpose, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Ashfield Water District for the use of hydrants for fire protection and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,693.52 for that purpose. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for a Reserve Fund, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

✓ ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 1989 Ambulance Earnings & Gifts in the amount of \$8,180.50 deposited in the Ambulance Maintenance Fund to be used to maintain and equip the Town Ambulance, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Law prepared by the Board of Selectmen:

By-Law Prohibiting Unnecessary, Excessive or Unusual Noise

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. occupying, having the charge of, or being present in or about any building, structure, premises, shelter, vehicle, boat or conveyance, or any part thereof, in the Town of Ashfield (other than that section of any establishment licensed under Chapter 138 of the General Laws) at any time to cause, suffer, allow or countenance any unnecessary loud, excessive or unusual noise, including any such noises in the operation of any radio, phonograph or other mechanical sound making device or instrument or reproducing devices or instrument, or in the playing of any band, orchestra, musician or group of musicians, or in the use of any device to amplify the aforesaid, or making of loud and boisterous singing by any persons or group of persons or in the use of any device to amplify the aforesaid noise, where such noise is plainly audible at a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the building, structure, premises, shelter, vehicle, boat

or conveyance in which or from which it is produced. The fact that the noise is plainly audible at said distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet shall constitute prima facie evidence of a violation of this By-Law. Any person shall be deemed in violation of this By-Law who shall make, or aid and abet, or cause or suffer, or countenance, or assist in the making of such noise.

✓
Whoever violates any of the provisions or requirements of this By-Law shall be punished by a fine of not more than TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS for the offense. In addition, whoever violates any of the provisions or requirements of this By-Law shall be subject to arrest. All prosecutions of any violation shall begin within six months from the date of the offense. Prosecutions may be entered by any citizen, and it shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen, police officers and constables employed by the Town to prosecute violations of such By-Law which come to their attention.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,600.00 to pay the salary of the Police Chief, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,950.00 to be used for the general operations of the Police Department, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$21,268.05 to pay Ashfield's share of the Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,400.00 for the general operations of the Belding Memorial Library as well as to accept any other State or Federal Aid, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 44. (This Article by Petition) To see if the Town will vote to pass the following resolution:

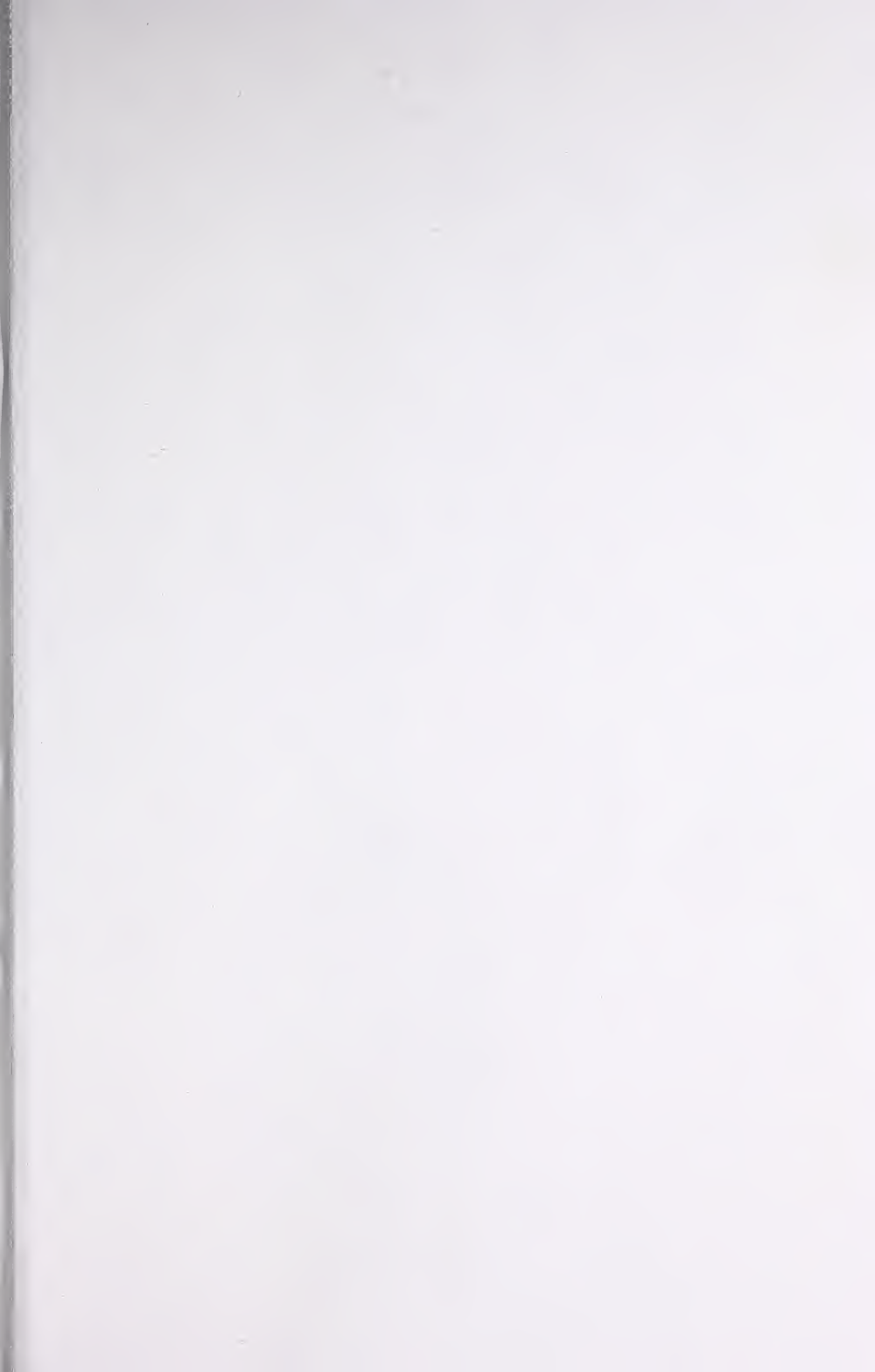
"It is the will of the people of Ashfield, Massachusetts, that the President of the United States be notified by our Town Clerk that we feel compelled by conscience, civic responsibility, and common sense to PROTEST the draining of our

scarce financial resources for excessive military spending. This year, while Ashfield struggles to balance its town budget, approximately \$1,880,000 from Ashfield residents will be spent on the Pentagon's \$300,000,000,000 budget.

Particularly at a time when the 'cold war' is officially recognized as over, we affirm that our security depends not on the quantity of our missiles, bombers, and overseas military bases, but on the availability of such basic and fundamental necessities as first rate education for our children, affordable housing, low cost medical care, and a clean environment."

A copy of this resolution will be sent to each member of the Massachusetts Congressional delegation.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,275.00 for Fires and Equipment, or act relative thereto. (Recommended by Finance Committee)





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Dedication

It is with pleasure and appreciation that we dedicate this Town Report to Elisabeth (Betty) Nye.

Betty came to the assessors' office by appointment in February 1983 to fill an unexpired term and has served as assessor for eight years. She also served as a finance committee member for five years. In her quiet, cheerful way she has generously given of her time and many talents to the tasks at hand; in fact she could usually be found in the assessors' office at least four days a week. Even before the office procedures were computerized, she used our Macintosh to maintain basic records and utilized her computer at home as well.

Betty, your commitment has been an inspiration to us all; both the Town and the Board of Assessors have benefited greatly from your contributions to our community. We have all enjoyed working with you; your sense of humor is a delight. We wish you the best in your retirement.



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Boston, Massachusetts 02133

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Jonathan L. Healy, Charlemont
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Boston, Massachusetts 02133

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Gregory P. Wells, Conway
Term expires January, 1993

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Town Officers

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors hold regular weekly meetings every Monday evening at the Town Offices in the Town Hall from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

MODERATOR

MICHAEL E.C. GERY

1 yr. terms

AUDITOR

GEORGE C. MONK

TOWN CLERK

C. LORRAINE GORDON

TREASURER

JANET M. SWEM

TREE WARDEN

RAMON R. SEARS

TAX COLLECTOR 3 yr. term

MARIAN C. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1991

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3 yr. term

THOMAS A. McCRUMM

Term expires 1991

NANCY ANDERSON, Chr.

Term expires 1992

THOMAS S. CARTER

Term expires 1993

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 3 yr. term

ELISABETH C. NYE

Term expires 1991

MALCOLM S. CLARK, Chr.

Term expires 1992

RICHARD H. GOUGEON

Term expires 1993

FINANCE COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

JUDITH M. GRAVES

Term expires 1991

THOMAS G. CRANSTON, Chr.

Term expires 1992

PATRICIA D. LIBBY

Term expires 1992

WILLIAM S. FAIRCHILD

Term expires 1993

MATHILDA NAVIAS

Term expires 1993

SANDERSON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Chr.

Term expires 1991

ANDREA OCIESA SEARS

Term expires 1992

DAVID W. MAGEE III

Term expires 1993

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 yr. term

THOMAS ULRICH

Term expires 1992

ABIGAIL A. WILSON, Representative from Ashfield

BOARD OF HEALTH 3 yr. term

HARRY L. DODSON

Term expires 1991

THOMAS S. LEUE, Chr.

Term expires 1992

PETER H. WIITANEN

Term expires 1993

CONSTABLES 3 yr. term

JOHN A. LaBELLE

Term expires 1992

STEVEN W. GREENMAN

Term expires 1992

GARY M. SIBILIA

Term expires 1992

PARK COMMISSIONERS 3 yr. term

HOLLY M. TIRRELL	Term expires 1991
ROBERT W. GRAHAM	Term expires 1992
DANA A. McNAY, Chr.	Term expires 1993

PLANNING BOARD 5 yr. term

ANNE YURYAN, Chr.	Term expires 1991
RICHARD M. CHANDLER	Term expires 1992
GRACE E. LESURE	Term expires 1993
MARK P. SPEES	Term expires 1994
MERTON R. LIBBY	Term expires 1995

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 5 yr. term

DONALD FITZGERALD	Term expires 1991
RICHARD M. EVANS	Term expires 1992
DIANA M. BENNETT, Chr.	Term expires 1993
MARY S. LUCAS (resigned 11/5/90)	Term expires 1994
D. TIERTZA LEAH SCHWARTZ (App't 11/19/90)	Term expires 1991
GEORGE C. MONK	Term expires 1995

The following offices are filled by Appointment:

BOARD OF APPEALS

CLAYTON C. CRAFT	June 1991
WILLIAM H. SCHREIBER, Assoc.	June 1991
JOHN F. McNIFF, Chr.	June 1992
KENNETH A. LILLY, Assoc.	June 1992
M. DIANNE MULLER	June 1993

ARTS COUNCIL

STEVEN P. SMITHERS	June 1991
ELICE D. PIEROPAN	June 1991
J. WILLIAM HOTH	June 1992
RICHARD G. MULLER, JR.	June 1992
SANDRA J. CARTER	June 1992
SUSAN McGOWAN	June 1992
NORMAN L. RUSSELL, Chr.	June 1992

ASHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

RICHARD H. TURNER	June 1991
SUSAN McGOWAN, Treas.	June 1992
ANNE YURYAN	June 1992

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

KENNETH L. ROBERTS	June 1991
MARK P. SPEES	June 1991
RICHARD G. MULLER, JR.	June 1992
DONALD WEBER, Sec.	June 1992
ALAN G. SURPRENANT, Chr.	June 1993

COUNCIL ON AGING

SYLVIA MONK, Chr.	June 1991
MARIANNA T. GRAVES	June 1992
GEORGE C. MONK	June 1992
FERN D. NYE	June 1993
CASSANDRA B. NAWROCKI	June 1993

ENERGY RESOURCES COMMISSION

DOUGLAS A. CRANSON	June 1991
THOMAS A. McCRUMM	June 1991
CHRISTINE REID	June 1991
ALICE PRATT	June 1992
PHILIP E. PLESS, Chr.	June 1992
CURTIS E. PICHETTE	June 1993

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

PAULINE J. NYE	JANICE W. SCOTT
JUNE M. FITZGERALD	C. LORRAINE GORDON

AMBULANCE SERVICE

DOUGLAS MOLLISON, Director

CHIEF OF POLICE

GARY A. SIBILIA

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN

DOUGLAS M. FIELD

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

MICHAEL L. HARRINGTON, Building Commissioner

VICTOR STALEY, Building Inspector

WIRING, PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTION PROGRAM

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA, Wiring Inspector

PAULIN J. BUKOWSKI, Plumbing & Gas Inspector

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

CARMEN J. DeLUCA, JR.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

LESLIE C. LADD

VETERAN'S AGENT

EUGENE E. BALAZS

BURIAL AGENT, ACTING

RALPH E. TOWNSLEY

DOG OFFICER

WARREN KIRKPATRICK

ASSISTANT DOG OFFICER

TODD KIRKPATRICK

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

KIM REARDON

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

BRUCE E. WILLARD

FIELD DRIVERS

E. WILL HEISER

ROLAND E. TOWNSLEY

FENCE VIEWERS

ALDEN J. GRAY

SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER

RAMON R. SEARS

FREDERICK W. WELLS TRUSTEE

DOUGLAS M. CHANDLER

May 1993

Selectmen's Report

1990 proved to be, just as predicted, a very rough year financially. The state kept to its threats regarding local aid cuts. They meant what they said. Fortunately we finally received reimbursement of the 1987 flood expenditures in the amount of \$137,873 allowing us to recertify our Free Cash. Annual Town Meeting passed a \$50,000 override, exclusively to fund the school budget. This did not solve our general budgetary problems and we had to appropriate \$145,000 from Free Cash to balance the FY91 budget. Just as we finalized the FY91 budget, we were into starting the budget process for FY92 and things don't look any better.

On the plus side, the Highway Department completed installation of the new bridge on Creamery Road. We completed STRAP construction on Baptist Corner Road with enough money left to continue reconstruction of another section, hopefully this spring. We have a new highway truck, sander and plow in operation and the highway crew has been very busy this past spring and summer sealing and improving drainage on Williamsburg and Creamery Roads and parts of West Road and Baptist Corner Road.

Phase I of the reconstruction of the Ashfield Dam was completed late this past summer. Due to the State's insistence that the job be done when they decided, the project was undertaken during the best of the swimming and fishing season. DEM held the purse strings on this one. Phase II is "planned" for the fall of 1991.

Town Hall is proceeding on schedule with successful computerization of the Treasurer's, Accountant's and Town Clerk records. The Town Hall, as everyone knows, is in a constant state of renovation. This year we were able to transfer monies from the unexpended balance in the Flood Account for a long needed heating system to keep the offices, meeting rooms and Police Station heated properly. We are fortunate to have a beautiful old building but the need for repairs is constant and this is something that will need to be addressed soon.

Ashfield can be very proud of what is considered to be a prime example of "recycling in action." We are way ahead of many of the area's towns with our recycling program which proved not only to be an asset to the environment but also is a help financially.

The Board of Selectmen would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people in the office who provide the kind of support we need to serve the residents of Ashfield properly. We also would like to thank all those who serve on town boards and committees for their help and cooperation. Without that kind of dedication, our job as selectmen would be a much more difficult task. Next year may not look any brighter financially but with the kind of cooperation and dedication we have received in

the past and a little help from the State, we can hopefully get through the next fiscal year intact.

It is an honor to serve you, the citizens of Ashfield.

NANCY ANDERSON, Chairman
THOMAS CARTER
THOMAS McCRUMM
Board of Selectmen

Town Auditor's Report

This is to certify that I have examined the books and the official audit for the Town of Ashfield and find them in good order.

GEORGE C. MONK
Town Auditor

Financial Statement Fiscal 1990

July 1, 1989 - June 30, 1990

AMBULANCE FUND

Balance forward, 7/1/89	\$ 5,611.74
Earnings, Gifts & Interest	<u>10,733.97</u>
	\$ 16,345.71

Ambulance Equip. & Repairs	\$ 42.00
Medical Equip.	1,452.31
Supplies	99.81
Insurance	579.00
Radios & Repair	1,205.95
Training	1,530.00
Uniforms	279.65
Pagers & Repairs	664.97
Ambulance License	135.00
Hydraulic Washer	<u>708.71</u>
	\$ 6,697.40

Ambulance Fund total	\$ 9,648.31
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ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$ 12,910.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	<u>257.52</u>
	\$ 13,167.52

Clerical	\$ 11,828.00
Office Supplies	215.99
Registry of Deeds	143.25
Dues	58.00
Travel Expenses	60.00
Postage & Envelopes	273.80
Telephone	15.48
Fees	13.00
Tax Bills	72.00
Computer Service Charge	350.00
Typewriter Repairs	<u>138.00</u>
	\$ 13,167.52

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING

Appropriation	\$ 2,750.00
SCANCO & Assoc.	\$ 2,750.00

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Appropriation	\$ 24,000.00
Eleanor M. Ward	\$ 24,000.00

BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$ 7,400.00
Dog Refund	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$ 8,400.00

Belding Memorial Library	\$ 8,400.00
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BELDING MEMORIAL LIBRARY RENOVATIONS

Balance forward		\$ 30,000.00
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BOARD OF APPEALS

Appropriation		\$ 470.00
Secretarial	\$ 108.50	
Postage & Envelopes	136.90	
Dues	50.00	
Advertising	21.60	
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	\$ 317.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 153.00

BLUE CROSS - BLUE SHIELD

Appropriation		\$ 15,000.00
Expended	\$ 12,868.82	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,131.18

BONDS

Appropriation		\$ 800.00
Expended	\$ 787.50	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 12.50

BUILDING INSPECTOR PROGRAM

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 21,513.65
Expended	\$ 21,513.65	

CARE OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Appropriation		\$ 350.00
Expended	\$ 350.00	

CHAPTER 15 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation		\$ 20,956.00
Borrowing		59,044.00
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		\$ 80,000.00
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 80,000.00

CHAPTER 199 CONSTRUCTION

Balance forward		\$ 40,000.00
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 40,000.00

CHAPTER 206 CONSTRUCTION

Balance forward		\$ 37,494.81
Expended for culvert		
(Creamery Rd. Bridge)	\$ 35,640.00	
Reimbursed through Fed. Bridge Prog.		\$ 1,854.81

BURNETT BRIDGE REPAIRS

Balance Forward		\$ 3,410.00
Appropriation		3,000.00
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		\$ 6,410.00
Hired Equip.	\$ 1,600.00	
Unexpended balance forward		\$ 4,810.00

CHAPTER 497 GENERAL HIGHWAY

Balance forward		\$ 46.07
Appropriation		<u>65,000.00</u>
		\$ 65,046.07
Payroll	\$ 34,221.53	
Bituminous Concrete	16,287.74	
Gravel	3,616.50	
Hired Equipment	2,420.00	
Mowing	3,060.00	
Cold Patch	170.00	
Guardrails	3,327.45	
Lumber	<u>1,254.52</u>	
	\$ 64,357.74	
Balance forward		\$ 688.33

CHAPTER 637 BOND TRANS. ISSUE

Balance forward		\$ 1,584.68
Payroll	\$ 465.06	
Stone	1,008.64	
Bituminous Concrete	<u>110.98</u>	
	\$ 1,584.68	

CHAPTER 811 BOND TRANS. ISSUE

Balance forward		\$ 8,462.37
Reimbursement - Fed. Highway Aid System		14,178.14
Interest earned		<u>1,220.18</u>
		\$ 23,860.69
Payroll	\$ 1,339.99	
Hired Equipment	269.50	
Asphalt	2,076.54	
Deed Description - Barnes Rd.	200.00	
Guardrails	<u>1,624.75</u>	
	\$ 5,510.78	
Balance forward		\$ 18,349.91

FLOOD ACCOUNT - APRIL '87

Balance expended		\$133,097.98
Town Equip. Adjustment		<u>- 445.26</u>
		\$132,652.44
Payroll	\$ 1,166.77	
Lumber	248.40	
Trap Rock	1,065.97	
Concrete	1,298.50	
Gravel	2,036.48	
Engineering Services	493.00	
Guardrails	5,715.60	
Hired Equipment	<u>25,128.96</u>	
	\$ 37,153.68	

Total expended at 6/30/90		\$169,806.12
Total Reim. by FEMA & State at 6/30/90	\$130,444.00	
Balance of State Reim. due at 6/30/90	7,429.00	
Total Town Payment		\$(31,933.12)

FLOOD REPAIRS - APRIL '87

Balance forward		\$ 60,000.00
Trans. to Interest on Loans - 2/13/90 STM	\$ 8,977.00	
Trans. to Town Counsel - 2/13/90 STM	6,150.00	
Trans. to Machinery Exp. - 3/27/90 STM	4,000.00	
Town's Share of Flood Repairs	31,933.12	
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	\$ 51,060.12	
Balance forward		\$ 8,939.88

STRAP GRANT

Balance forward		\$ 97,835.97
Interest earned		4,799.49
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		\$102,635.46
Payroll	\$ 8,011.28	
Hired Equipment	10,054.34	
Gravel	4,816.00	
Gravel Stone	4,468.44	
Asphalt	5,990.06	
Blocks, bricks, basins, etc.	1,490.53	
Calcium Chloride	710.00	
Supplies	551.30	
Bituminous Concrete	413.97	
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	\$ 36,505.92	
Balance forward		\$ 66,129.54

CIRCUIT RIDER PROGRAM EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 2,700.00
Rec'd - Town of Plainfield		2,700.00
Rec'd - Ashfield Water District		600.00
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		\$ 6,000.00
Telephone	\$ 857.92	
Office Supplies	354.01	
Health Insurance	2,593.56	
Medicare	562.08	
Retirement	1,188.54	
Computer Services	10.00	
Mileage & Expenses	226.29	
Meetings & Seminars	207.60	
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	\$ 6,000.00	

CIVIL DEFENSE

Balance forward		\$ 20.08
Appropriation		<u>2,100.00</u>
		\$ 2,120.08
Equipment	\$ 1,050.00	
Balance forward		\$ 1,070.08

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Advertising	\$ 64.00	
Dues	81.00	
Fees	5.00	
Postage & Supplies	<u>30.10</u>	
	\$ 180.10	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 19.90

COUNCIL ON AGING

Appropriation		\$ 1,147.00
Shelburne Senior Center	\$ 1,147.00	

DOG OFFICER EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 150.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>100.00</u>
		\$ 250.00
Equipment	\$ 250.00	

ELECTIONS

Appropriation		\$ 600.00
Payroll	\$ 427.02	
Ballots	<u>122.00</u>	
	\$ 549.02	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 50.98

FEASIBILITY STUDY - SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Appropriation		\$ 3,900.00
MacLeay Associates	\$ 3,900.00	

FIRES & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		\$ 16,785.00
Radios & Repair	\$ 1,443.10	
Alarm System Maintenance	156.00	
Office Supplies	476.64	
Telephone	553.59	
Equipment & Supplies	534.92	
New Equipment	2,647.01	
Training	433.35	
Building Maintenance	1,033.07	
Truck Repair	516.68	
Scott Air Packs	3,210.00	
Dues	215.00	
Insurance	579.00	

Gasoline	676.42	
Payroll	<u>4,152.00</u>	
	\$ 16,626.78	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 158.22
FIRE TRUCK		
Stabilization Fund		\$ 41,900.00
Borrowing		<u>100,000.00</u>
		\$141,900.00
Kovatch Mobile Equip.	\$141,900.00	
FIRE STATION REPAIRS		
Special Mtg. 11/14/89		\$ 5,544.50
Harris & Gray	\$ 5,030.55	
Perc Test	400.00	
Supplies	<u>113.95</u>	
	\$ 5,544.50	
FIRE STATION WEATHERSTRIPPING		
Balance forward		\$ 289.74
Insulated Storm Door	\$ 249.31	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 40.43
FIRE DEPARTMENT - TANKER EQUIPMENT		
Special Mtg. 11/14/89		\$ 11,100.50
Gleason Fire Equip.	\$ 11,098.30	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2.20
FRANKLIN COUNTY DISPATCH CENTER		
Appropriation		\$ 9,820.60
Expended	\$ 9,820.60	
BOARD OF HEALTH		
Appropriation		\$ 3,750.00
Mileage for Agent	\$ 97.20	
Ashfield Lake Testing	237.00	
Payroll - Perc Tests	2,040.00	
Advertising	81.57	
Postage & Supplies	99.49	
Dues	50.00	
Secretarial	<u>175.00</u>	
	\$ 2,780.26	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 969.74
HEATING TOWN BUILDINGS		
Appropriation		\$ 3,800.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund 7/5/90		<u>141.78</u>
		\$ 3,941.78
Propane Gas - Fire Station	\$ 2,085.38	
Oil - Town Hall	<u>1,856.40</u>	
	\$ 3,941.78	

HIGHWAY DEPT. - PAID VACATIONS & HOLIDAYS

Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Special Mtg. 6/19/90		<u>2,950.00</u>
		\$ 7,950.00
Expended	\$ 7,938.04	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 11.96

HIGHWAY DEPT. - SICK LEAVE

Balance forward		\$ 1,176.58
Appropriation		<u>2,000.00</u>
		\$ 3,176.58
Expended	\$ 1,559.11	
Balance forward		\$ 1,617.47

HIGHWAY TRUCK

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 42,023.59
Gateway Motor Inc.	\$ 33,846.59	
Bart Truck Equip.	<u>8,177.00</u>	
	\$ 42,023.59	

HIGHWAY SANDER

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 6,343.00
Bart Truck Equip.	\$ 6,343.00	

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$ 26,000.00
Leslie C. Ladd	\$ 26,000.00	

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Appropriation		\$ 300.00
Books	\$ 2.50	
Donation	10.00	
Copy Charges	<u>32.00</u>	
	\$ 44.50	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 255.50

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Appropriation		\$ 150.00
Kim Reardon	\$ 150.00	

INSURANCE - PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY

Appropriation		\$ 3,180.00
MIIA	\$ 2,440.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 740.00

INSURANCE - TOWN BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 29,727.00
Transferred to Other Accounts		<u>- 2,608.00</u>
		\$ 27,119.00

MIIA	\$ 7,156.00	
Massamont	<u>18,622.20</u>	
	\$ 25,778.20	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,340.80
INTEREST ON LOANS		
Appropriation		\$ 3,500.00
Special Mtg., 2/3/90 Trans.-Flood Repairs		<u>8,977.00</u>
		\$ 12,477.00
Expended	\$ 12,467.71	
Balance to General Fund		\$.29
INTEREST & PRINCIPAL - GRADER LOAN		
Appropriation		\$ 19,065.51
Expended	\$ 18,614.99	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 450.52
INTEREST & PRINCIPAL - SEWER LOAN		
Appropriation		\$ 19,533.75
Expended	\$ 16,969.56	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,564.19
ASHFIELD LAKE - PHASE I FEASIBILITY STUDY		
Balance forward		\$ 22,800.00
Unexpended balance forward	\$ 22,800.00	
LIFEGUARD/SWIMMING INSTRUCTION		
Appropriation		\$ 5,000.00
Lifeguard	\$ 3,592.00	
Instructor	420.00	
Advertising	<u>5.10</u>	
	\$ 4,017.10	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 982.90
MACHINERY EXPENSES		
Appropriation		\$ 40,000.00
Special Mtg., 3/27/90 Trans. Flood Repair		<u>4,000.00</u>
		\$ 44,000.00
Parts & Repairs	\$ 15,209.01	
Uniforms	1,193.18	
Telephone	471.77	
Electricity	869.88	
Supplies	876.96	
Heating	473.91	
Tires	1,232.34	
Gas & Oil	12,200.56	
Office Supplies	19.69	
Radios	867.99	
Equipment	294.56	
Mechanic	<u>8,495.35</u>	

Desk	254.88	
Mileage	57.26	
Plow Frame	1,173.40	
Advertising	56.80	
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Balance to General Fund	\$ 43,747.54	\$ 252.46
MEDICARE		
Appropriation		\$ 2,500.00
Expended	\$ 2,316.58	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 183.42
MEMORIAL DAY		
Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Flowers	\$ 137.79	
Band	100.00	
Flags	90.72	
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Balance to General Fund	\$ 328.51	\$ 171.49
OFFICE COMPUTERIZATION		
Appropriation		\$ 14,500.00
B & H Computer Services	\$ 7,440.00	
Validata	4,512.07	
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Balance to General Fund	\$ 11,952.07	\$ 2,547.93
OFFICE EXPENSES		
Appropriation		\$ 4,900.00
Office Supplies	\$ 535.66	
Dues	500.00	
Photocopy Supplies & Repairs	620.64	
Envelopes & Postage	159.00	
Telephone	658.87	
Advertising	390.54	
Meetings & Mileage	55.74	
Law Updates	192.60	
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Balance to General Fund	\$ 3,113.05	\$ 1,786.95
PARKS & BEACH		
Appropriation		\$ 2,675.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		508.35
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Electricity	\$ 610.50	
Sand	450.00	
Equipment & Supplies	447.29	
Mowing & Trash	1,262.50	
Water	291.48	
Telephone	121.58	
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	\$ 3,183.35	\$ 3,183.35

OPEN SPACE STUDY

Appropriation		\$	200.00
Unexpended Balance Forward		\$	200.00

PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$	1,717.00
Secretarial	\$	1,030.75	
Office Supplies		47.49	
Advertising		251.55	
Dues		60.00	
Postage & Envelopes		155.90	
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	\$	1,545.69	
Balance to General Fund		\$	171.31

POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY

Appropriation		\$	25,000.00
Gary M. Sibilia	\$	25,000.00	

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$	26,050.00
Special Mtg., 6/19/90 (Free Cash)			1,200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			228.99
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		\$	27,478.99

Equipment	\$	407.37	
Cruiser Repairs		1,761.72	
Payroll		14,500.00	
Uniforms		103.74	
Radios & Repairs		251.65	
Gasoline		3,446.28	
Insurance		5,288.00	
Dues		80.00	
Meetings		30.00	
Telephone		1,107.44	
Training		208.66	
Tires		226.58	
Postage & Supplies		67.55	
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	\$	27,478.99	

POLICE DEPARTMENT CRUISER

Special Mtg., 2/13/90 Stabilization		\$	13,703.00
Oste Chevrolet	\$	13,703.00	

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Appropriation		\$	500.00
Expended	\$	500.00	

RENT OF HYDRANTS

Appropriation		\$	1,693.52
Ashfield Water District	\$	1,693.52	

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM - MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$ 20,131.00
Expended	\$ 20,131.00	

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 5,000.00
Dog Officer	\$ 100.00	
Police Department	228.99	
Parks & Beach	508.35	
Assessors Expense	257.52	
Heating - Town Buildings	141.78	
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	\$ 1,136.64	

Balance to General Fund	\$ 3,763.36
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ASHFIELD PLAINFIELD REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$246,068.00
Expended	\$246,068.00	

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$364,267.05
Expended	\$362,049.05	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,218.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 6,642.00
Expended	\$ 4,253.55	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,388.45

STREET LISTS & CENSUS

Appropriation		\$ 450.00
Census Reimbursement		250.00
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		\$ 700.00
Street Listing	\$ 450.00	
Computerization	200.00	
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	\$ 650.00	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 50.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 4,748.00
Office Supplies	\$ 314.17	
Tax Bills	612.00	
Dues	35.00	
Fees	2.00	
Envelopes & Postage	928.53	
Typewriter	289.00	
Telephone Answering Machine	129.95	
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	\$ 2,310.65	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 2,437.35

TAX MAPPING

Balance forward		\$ 1,000.00
Unexpended Balance Forward		\$ 1,000.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 750.00
Supplies	\$ 239.92	
Dues & Meetings	64.00	
Postage & Envelopes	51.28	
Mass. Gen. Laws	48.25	
Telephone	21.14	
JPS Computer Service	30.00	
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	\$ 454.59	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 295.41

TOWN COUNSEL

Appropriation		\$ 7,000.00
Sp. Mtg., 2/13/90 Trans. Flood Repairs		6,150.00
Sp. Mtg., 6/19/90 Trans. Free Cash		3,000.00
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		\$ 16,150.00
Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, MacNicol, Wilson	\$ 15,354.81	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 795.19

TOWN HALL HANDICAP ACCESS

Balance forward		\$ 2,000.00
Harris & Gray	\$ 2,000.00	

TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$ 3,750.00
Sp. Mtg., 3/27/90 Trans. (Ins. Town Bldgs.)		1,000.00
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		\$ 4,750.00
Janitor	\$ 1,561.63	
Supplies	203.62	
Electricity	1,656.10	
Mowing	70.00	
Furnace Repairs	749.05	
Chimney Flashing	60.00	
Water	71.18	
Fire Extinguishers	79.00	
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	\$ 4,450.58	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 299.42

TOWN HALL - RENOVATIONS

Balance forward		\$ 1,352.69
Appropriation (Fred Cross)		4,000.00
Sp. Mtg., Appr. 10/14/89		4,500.00
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		\$ 9,852.69
Equipment	\$ 73.34	
Electrical	640.59	

Storm Windows	578.00	
Handicap Access	<u>4,808.72</u>	
	\$ 6,100.65	
Balance forward		\$ 3,752.04
TOWN REPORTS		
Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Lamb Printing	\$ 1,892.80	
Delivery	<u>75.00</u>	
	\$ 1,967.80	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 1,032.20
TOWN OFFICERS		
Appropriation (Free Cash)		\$ 19,000.00
Expended	\$ 18,866.67	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 133.33
TREE WARDEN		
Appropriation		\$ 3,000.00
Payroll	\$ 550.00	
Hired Equipment	<u>1,767.26</u>	
	\$ 2,317.26	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 682.74
TRANSFER STATION		
Appropriation		\$ 84,000.00
Sp. Mtg., 2/13/90		
Trans. to Mayer Land Purchase		<u>- 11,200.00</u>
		\$ 72,800.00
Payroll	\$ 7,914.00	
Dues	40.00	
Recycling	4,657.25	
Signs	936.00	
Telephone	178.34	
Electricity	359.77	
Refuse Hauling - Commercial Disposal	13,715.00	
Landfill Disposal	30,903.76	
Supplies	2,070.48	
Demolition Dump	4,766.70	
Rent	800.83	
Wood	85.00	
Tires	368.00	
Recycling Box	<u>5,895.00</u>	
	\$ 72,690.13	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 109.87
TRANSFER STATION LAND PURCHASE		
Sp. Mtg., Transfer from Transfer Station		\$ 11,200.00
Truedel Bartlett Trust	\$ 11,007.72	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 192.28

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$ 1,500.00
Envelopes & Postage	\$ 367.00	
Office Supplies	264.41	
Service Charges	401.30	
Filing Fees	70.00	
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	\$ 1,102.71	
Balance to General Fund		\$ 397.29

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$ 500.00	

VETERAN'S BENEFITS

Appropriation		\$ 100.00
Unexpended balance to General Fund		\$ 100.00

VETERAN'S CENTER

Appropriation		\$ 3,065.60
Western Franklin Veteran's Center	\$ 3,065.60	

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation		\$ 55,000.00
Sp. Mtg., 6/9/90 Trans. (Free Cash)		13,994.84
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		\$ 68,994.84
Payroll	\$ 34,684.54	
Sand	17,216.79	
Salt	11,210.85	
Patch	2,148.05	
Hired Equipment	3,735.00	
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	\$ 68,994.84	

WORKER'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation		\$ 8,850.00
Sp. Mtg., 3/27/90 Trans. (Ins. Town Bldgs.)		1,608.00
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		\$ 10,458.00
MIIA	\$ 10,458.00	

Town of Ashfield

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1990

ASSETS

Cash:

General Cash	\$ 470,158.30
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Personal Property Taxes:

Levy 1983-1988	\$	1,537.21	
Levy 1989		1,079.70	
Levy 1990		3,030.49	
			\$ 5,647.40

Real Estate Taxes:

Levy 1985-1988	\$	3.13	
Levy 1989		4,752.43	
Levy 1990		66,807.24	
			\$ 71,562.80

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy 1976-1988	\$	2,586.05	
Levy 1989		553.38	
Levy 1990		9,516.83	
			\$ 12,656.26

Farm Animal Excise FY1989

	\$ 705.50
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Accounts Receivable:

State Aid to Highways	\$	139,355.81	
State Aid - Core Focus Program		326,975.80	
Ash/Con MSCP Grant Rec.		285,729.14	
FEMA Federal Grant - State		10,283.00	
Dog Officer (Due from County)		420.00	
			\$ 762,763.75

Grants:

1987 Flood	\$ 7,429.00
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Loans Authorized

	\$ 580,000.00
	\$1,910,923.01

LIABILITIES

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy 1977-1988	\$	1,189.23	
Levy 1989		5,832.13	
Levy 1990		24,319.63	
			\$ 31,340.99

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle Revenue	\$ 12,656.26	
Farm Animal Excise Rev.	705.50	
FEMA Flood Grant Rev.	10,283.00	
Aid to Highway Revenue	139,355.81	
Aid to Core Prob. Revenue	326,975.80	
Aid to Ash/Con Loan Rev.	285,729.14	
		\$ 775,705.51

Grants & Gifts:

Ambulance Fund	\$ 9,648.31	
Steeple Fund	3,076.22	
Parks & Beach Fund	35.02	
Arts Council	2,270.00	
Council on Aging - State	308.85	
Circuit Rider	1,282.48	
Chapter 811	18,349.91	
STRAP Grant	66,129.54	
Div. of Water Pol. Control	13,111.00	
		\$ 114,211.33

Revolving Funds:

Conservation Comm. Fees	\$ 156.50	
Core Focus Payments	4,152.77	
		\$ 4,309.27

Receipts Reserved for Approp.:

Dog Refund	\$ 70.92	
Machinery Earnings	1,421.04	
		\$ 1,491.96

Trust Funds:

Belding Endowment		\$ 1,084.01
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Appropriation Balances:

General		\$ 117,152.80
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Tailings:

Unclaimed Checks		\$ 21.17
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Loans Authorized Unissued

Surplus Revenue		\$ 580,000.00
		285,605.97
		<u>\$1,910,923.01</u>

Tax Collector's Report

Nearly all the very old Real Estate taxes, long past due, have been resolved. There are a few from recent years, that have become delinquent. These are in the process of being taken for tax title.

I am looking into placing the Tax Collector's accounts on computer in 1992.

Our Deputy Collector, Jeffrey and Jeffrey, and the Registry of Motor Vehicles, have been most cooperative in collecting old overdue Motor Vehicle Excise taxes and the associated penalties. They are also keeping the Town up to date on the current overdue excise taxes.

REAL ESTATE

1985	\$	99.77	
1986		137.50	
1987		435.52	
1988		394.66	
1989		4,752.43	
1990		66,807.24	\$ 72,627.12

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1983-85	\$	43.68	
1986		48.10	
1987		245.67	
1988		1,199.76	
1989		1,079.70	
1990		3,006.36	\$ 5,623.27

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1976-85	\$	825.05	
1986		652.90	
1987		660.61	
1988		447.49	
1989		553.38	
1990		9,516.83	\$ 12,656.26

FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY

1989	\$	706.00	\$ 706.00
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MARIAN C. FITZGERALD
Tax Collector

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

January 1, 1990 - December 31, 1990

BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
28	Mary Palma Sibilia	Susan Brierley (Lloyd) & Gary Martin Sibilia
FEBRUARY		
5	Stephanie Mary Thibault	Lorraine Anna (Gamache) & Stephen Edgar Thibault
14	Bryant James Liimatainen	Sheralyn Frances (Scott) & Stephen Walter Liimatainen
24	Robert David Lovering	Vickie Lynn (Boisvert) & Ralph Derby Lovering, Jr.
MARCH		
3	Leah Catherine Dembek	Catherine Martha (Stankus) & David Edward Dembek
4	Joseph Robert Delaney	Judy Mae (Kelley) & Robert Emmett Delaney
30	Edward Joseph Douville, Jr.	Suzanne Marie (Orzel) & Edward Joseph Douville
APRIL		
12	Amasa Edson Smith	Nancy (Ashkin) & Andrew Edson Smith
19	Craig Allen Dufresne	Sandra Lee (Hodges) & Eric Paul Dufresne
MAY		
1	Julianna May Meservey	Julia Mary (Ryan) & Warren Chester Meservey
10	Colleen Nicole Scott	Susan Anne (Brown) & Christopher Alan Scott
17	Samantha Lauren Marsh	Prudence (Peckham) & Elliott Joseph Marsh
JUNE		
8	Nicholas Sebastian Veranes	Dinah Bolton Jameson & Juan Pablo Veranes

10	Kaileigh Marie Day	Suzanne Beth (Kingsley) & Mark Alan Day
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JULY

17	Amanda Murray Reynolds	Sandra Gladys (Kremser) & Daniel Peter Reynolds
18	Robert Ivan Beede Auer	Catherine Shayne Beede & Jeffrey Robert Auer
28	Lydia LaRocque Chevalier	Michelle Regina LaRocque & David Paul Chevalier
31	Jarrold Auston Douville	Alexce Delmar (Davis) & Gerald Wyman Douville

AUGUST

13	Riley Norton Jones	Faith Mary (Burrington) & Arnold Dwight Jones
19	Mark Kurtis Seebeck	Tracey Loretta (Holliman) & Kurt Seebeck

SEPTEMBER

17	Justin Michael Cascone	Angelica (Langlois) & Michael Joseph Cascone
17	Bennett Poucher Johnson Duchin	Deborah (Johnson) & Charles Poucher Duchin
27	Jay Michael Clarke	Karla Jean (Raymond) & James Gisler Clarke
27	James Henry Clarke	Karla Jean (Raymond) & James Gisler Clarke

MARRIAGES

Date	Names & Residences	Place of Marriage
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FEBRUARY

21	Theodore Mark Kolodziej, Ashfield Donna Marie Storry, Ashfield	Ashfield
24	Eric Paul Dufresne, Ashfield Sandra Lee Hodges, Ashfield	Ashfield

JUNE

9	James Gordon St. Amand, Goshen Sonja Landon Olson, Montague	Ashfield
9	David Michael Fain, Shelburne Helen Doris Streeter, Shelburne	Ashfield

AUGUST

18	Thomas K. Porter, Ashfield	Ashfield
	Mary Margaret Cushman, Ashfield	

SEPTEMBER

15	Thomas Anthony McCrumm, Ashfield	Ashfield
	Judith Hoskins Haupt, Ashfield	
23	Marc Alexandre Stegeman, Brooklyn, NY	Ashfield
	Helena VanCortlandt Snow, Brooklyn, NY	
29	Howard Almond Streeter, Jr., Ashfield	Ashfield
	Michelle Ann Mazzer, Ashfield	

OCTOBER

27	Christopher Robertson, Ashfield	Ashfield
	Jeannie Marie Joy, Ashfield	

DECEMBER

22	Michael W. Herdman, S. Deerfield	Ashfield
	Kristine Diane Field, S. Deerfield	
26	Glenn Victor Swanson, Ashfield	Ashfield
	Deborah May Breyer, Ashfield	

DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
JANUARY			
19	Helen Rimbach	Greenfield	75
MARCH			
5	Verna Elizabeth Field	Conway	81
5	Leah Catherine Dembek	Boston	2 days
30	Joseph Edward Russell	Northampton	76
MAY			
17	Arthur Paul Pantermehl	Greenfield	85
18	Alice Whitney	Greenfield	73
JULY			
8	Shirley M. Bennett	Greenfield	70
20	Howard Elmer Smith	Northampton	74
22	Darrin T. Dickinson	Greenfield	18
NOVEMBER			
3	Richard S. Russell	Buckland	36
13	Gurdon W. Leete	Ashfield	76

(Please report any errors in the foregoing to the Town Clerk.)

ELECTIONS

Spec. election, Jan. 6, 1990	597 votes cast	1,036 reg. voters
Annual election, May 5, 1990	415 votes cast	1,055 reg. voters
State primary, Sept. 18, 1990	347 votes cast	1,005 reg. voters
State election, Nov. 6, 1990	827 votes cast	1,032 reg. voters

DOG LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1990 - December 31, 1990

105	Males @ \$3.00	\$315.00
7	Females @ \$6.00	42.00
127	Spayed females @ \$3.00	381.00
5	Kennels @ \$10.00	50.00
1	Kennel @ \$25.00	25.00
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245		\$813.00
	Fees retained	-183.75
	Paid to Town Treasurer	<hr/> \$629.25

FISH & GAME LICENSES ISSUED

January 1, 1990 - December 31, 1990

29	Res. fishing @ \$12.50	\$362.50
2	Res. fishing (65-69) @ \$6.25	12.50
1	Res. fishing (paraplegic)	FREE
1	Non-res. fishing (7-day) @ \$11.50	11.50
5	Res. hunting @ \$12.50	62.50
1	Res. hunting (paraplegic)	FREE
1	Non-res. hunting (big game) @ \$48.50	48.50
15	Res. sporting @ \$19.50	292.50
26	Res. sporting (over 70)	FREE
6	Archery/prim. firearms stamps @ \$5.10	30.60
2	Mass. waterfowl stamps @ \$1.25	2.50
1	Mass. waterfowl stamps @ \$5.00	5.00
9	Wildlands conservation stamps @ \$5.00	45.00
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	Fees retained	\$873.10
		- 27.85
	Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts	<hr/> \$845.25

Respectfully submitted,

LORRAINE GORDON, Town Clerk

Ashfield Burial Ground Association

Supplemental to Town Clerk's Report

BURIALS FOR THE YEAR 1990

Date (of death)	Name	Cemetery
1/19	Helen M. Rimbach	Hill
2/14	Floyd W. Townsley	Plain
3/02	Marion C. Pike	Hill
3/05	Verna R. Field	Plain
3/15	Mildred O'Hare Willis	Plain
3/29	Leon F. Lanoue	Plain
4/22	Benjamin P. Stark	Plain
8/22	Walter M. Graves	Plain
2/27/88	Rodney Wintrop Graves	Plain
11/03	Richard S. Russell	Briar Hill

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Year Ending June 30, 1990

Balance of Cash at July 1, 1989	\$ 714,935.77
Cash Received	2,393,967.52
Cash Disbursements	2,340,086.00
Balance of Cash at June 30, 1990	\$ 768,817.29

Balance consists of:

United Savings Bank:

General Fund	\$ 8,794.22
Ambulance Fund	9,648.31
STRAP Fund	66,129.54
Core Focus Fund	4,152.77
Stabilization Fund	84,696.47
Fred Cross - General Fund	59,998.71
Fred Cross - Library	5,000.00
Fred Cross - Cemetery	2,000.00
Trust Funds	94,757.00
Cemetery Funds	1,250.00

M.M.D.T.:

General Fund	351,493.84
Highway Fund - Chapter 811	18,349.91
Mary Priscilla Howes Fund	11,693.19

Heritage Savings Bank:

Eliza Miller Acct.	12,563.82
Salmon Miller Acct.	24,758.74

Shawmut Bank:

Milo Belding Jr. Endow. - Park/Library	13,530.77
	\$ 768,817.29

Presentation of Cash:

General Fund	\$ 458,568.59
Stabilization Fund	84,696.47
Trust Funds	225,552.23
Total	\$ 768,817.29

Ashfield Fire Department

The Fire Department hasn't had a new fire truck since 1976 but, thanks to all of the residents, we have a new 1990 state-of-the-art fire truck. All of the fire personnel have been trained to operate it.

The department was very busy this year with 3 house fires and one plane crash. One of the house fires was the home of one of our firefighters and the plane crash resulted in the death of a very good friend from Ashfield. This year, like every year, the Firemen's Association raised money to support the fire department by spending \$3,982.99 on new equipment needed plus paying for the little league & pee wee insurance so the kids can play baseball.

I want to thank all the townspeople for their support of the fire department and all the people who helped out fighting fires this year.

Above all, I want to thank all of the fire personnel for their highly dedicated time they spend serving the town and its residents.

15	Public service calls	5	Mutual Aid
9	Auto accidents	1	Gas spill
3	Car fires	8	False alarms
1	Electrical	2	Grass fires
6	Power line fires	6	Structure fires
8	Chimney fires	1	Plane crash

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS M. FIELD
Ashfield Fire Chief

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

During the past fiscal year we were called upon to provide veterans' benefits to one veteran and his family. The money was used to provide aid as follows:

Ordinary Benefits	\$6,820.00
Total	\$6,820.00

The town which provided this aid will be reimbursed 75% by the State and is as follows:

Colrain	\$6,820.00
Total	\$6,820.00

Eight veterans passed away during the year and the Center assisted the survivors with their VA claims for Burial Benefits, Grave Markers, Pensions and Compensation to which they are legally entitled.

Some of the many on-going services to veterans are — preparations of Tax Abatement Forms for veterans with service-connected disabilities, help to complete all Veterans Administration claim forms and provide assistance to all veterans and their dependents in connection with their claims under Federal Programs.

Three meetings were held this year with various representatives from the ten town district to discuss the overall program.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE E. BALAZS

Director/Veterans' Agent

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center

Balance July 1, 1989 United Savings Bank	\$ 3,693.30
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Receipts:

Town of Ashfield	\$ 3,065.60	
Town of Buckland	2,682.40	
Town of Charlemont	1,724.40	
Town of Colrain	2,682.40	
Town of Conway	2,682.40	
Town of Hawley	574.80	
Town of Heath	1,532.80	
Town of Monroe Bridge	383.20	
Town of Plainfield	574.80	
Town of Shelburne	3,257.20	
Flags & Markers	1,522.40	
Federal Withholdings	3,360.00	
State Withholdings	960.00	
Retirement	799.92	
Medicare	232.08	
Total	\$26,034.40	\$26,034.40
		\$29,727.70

Payments:

Eugene E. Balazs	\$16,000.08	
Treasurer's Salary	350.00	
Town of Shelburne Rent	1,800.00	
Telephone	405.69	
Office Expense	367.71	
Dues & Meetings Attended	61.00	
Penalty State Tax	2.27	
Flags	1,607.84	
Treasurer's Bond	50.00	
Subscription	30.50	
Retirement Assessment	2,437.50	
Internal Revenue Service:		
Federal Tax	3,360.00	
Medicare	464.16	
Franklin County Retirement	799.26	
Commonwealth of Mass.:		
State Tax	960.00	
Total	<u>\$28,696.01</u>	<u>\$28,696.01</u>
Balance June 30, 1990 United Savings Bank		<u>1,031.69</u>
		<u>\$29,727.70</u>

Respectfully submitted,

VALERIE L. WALKER, Treasurer

Annual Report of the Fred W. Wells Trustees

Funds available for the fiscal year 1990-1991 were \$148,490.00 which were allocated to three specific areas: Education, Health and Agriculture.

Education - The Trustees received 245 applications for education grants and approved 179 students to receive \$118,700. The Trustees spent many hours on the selection process to ensure that as many students as possible could receive scholarship aid.

Health - Seven health programs were proposed. Five were approved, one was approved but is pending. Funds were paid to Western Mass. Children with Attention Disorders, Visiting Nurses and Home Care, Hospice of Franklin County, Mohawk Valley Medical Center, New England Center For Women in Transition (NELCWIT), and YMCA (pending). These programs received a total of \$23,000.

Agriculture - Prizes for agricultural accomplishments were awarded in the amount of \$6,790 through the Franklin County and Heath Fairs.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS A. CHANDLER
Trustee

Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals

The Roberts Bros. Lumber Co. appeal of the Board's 1988 decision was decided in March of this year. The Franklin Superior Court found in favor of Roberts Bros. There was high public interest in this case so the Board held a hearing to gauge public sentiment towards an appeal of the court decision. The hearing was well attended and a variety of opinions and concerns were expressed, pro and con. In the end, the Board of Selectmen decided that costs prevented an appeal, even though it was felt that there was a significant chance of success.

There were no other matters before the Board this year.

In June, Ralph Townsley declined reappointment for another term on the Board. He had been a member of the Board since its inception many years ago, serving as its Chairman until 1987. His contributions to the Board and the Town cannot be overstated. He has served with great distinction, admirable leadership, and his advice and counsel will be sorely missed.

M. Dianne Muller was appointed to fill the vacancy. She brings the Board her years of experience in local government and a deep understanding of zoning obtained through her service on the By-Law Review Committee and the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JACK McNIFF, Chairman
M. DIANNE MULLER, Clerk
CLAYTON CRAFT
WILLIAM SCHREIBER, Assoc.
KEN LILLY, Assoc.

Report of the Zoning Bylaws Review Committee

The committee completed its work in September and submitted its final draft to the Planning Board. The task of reviewing and proposing revised zoning bylaws was a major undertaking. In order to produce an end product, many, many forms of land use regulation had to be considered in detail before deciding whether to include it in Ashfield's zoning proposal. Many were felt to be inappropriate and not included. The task was such that the committee decided to meet three times a month until completion.

Public input was crucial to the process. During the months of May and June numerous neighborhood meetings were held in private homes to present the draft, explain it, and obtain public opinion, concerns, and suggestions for improvements. The committee expresses its appreciation to all who opened their homes for the purpose. The results were of great benefit to the committee. During the summer the suggestions were reviewed and incorporated into the final draft.

The committee would like to express its deep appreciation to Ms. Gwen Hallsmith, County Planner, who has given selflessly of her time and expertise and provided all of the word processing. The end result will be more comprehensive and thorough because of her.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART EISENBERG, Chairman
JACK McNIFF, Vice-Chairman-Clerk
RAY CASSIDY
PHYLLIS KIRKPATRICK
M. DIANNE MULLER
ANNE YURYAN

Franklin County Commissioners

The Franklin Futures Committee, composed of 30 business, town, county, and human services leaders, completed their year-long project of examining the future of regional government in Franklin County. As a starting point, the committee surveyed approximately 850 local and regional officials to find out what county residents think about regional government, and what services (either existing services or new services) should be made available for towns at the regional level. The majority of local officials who completed the survey showed strong support for a regional government in Franklin County and for maintaining regional services where it can save town resources. Issues such as the appropriate role of regional government (advisory versus authority), fair representation, financing mechanisms, and the menu of services to offer produced a variety of responses from respondents — as we expect will happen when the Charter Commission engages all county residents in the debate over our future.

The Futures Committee issued their final report in October 1990, and one of their recommendations was to form a charter study commission to further examine how a regional government can be structured and financed in order to make available to towns a menu of regional services. County residents voted in favor of forming a Charter Commission by a 2:1 margin in the November 1990 election. A majority of town voters approved the formation of the commission in 25 of our 26 county towns.

A charter would serve as a sort of constitution for the county, establishing the administrative and political structure, financing mechanism, and purpose. One short-term goal would be to assure that local revenues are used solely to finance local services. The problem we have now is that the state is requiring the county to use our local revenues to finance the jail, registry of deeds, and courthouse. This requirement leaves little left over to fund regional services. Without building a new structure with the capacity to provide regional services, one which has a sound financial base, Franklin County will no longer be able to provide any regional services, including those currently used by county towns — planning, cooperative purchasing, municipal assistance, human services, assessing, and engineering.

Now the Charter Commission's task is to devise a way to provide our county towns with the services needed when a regional approach makes sense — when it can save towns money, time, other resources or can improve the quality of services. The Charter Commission is committed to involving all county residents in the process so that the charter (which you will vote on in the November 1992 election) reflects your town's needs for services and support. For more information on how you can get involved, contact us at the County Commissioners Office.

MARGARET STRIEBEL, Chair
Franklin County Commissioners

Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program

I herewith submit my Annual Report of the F.C.C.B.I.P. The trend continues this year with a decrease in construction of dwelling units. While the member towns saw 218 dwelling units built in F.Y. '89, this figure dropped 43% in F.Y. '90, with a total of 125 units. In F.Y. '89 this office issued 834 permits, with a total value of over 21 million dollars. The number of permits issued in F.Y. '90 has decreased to 730, with total valuation dropping to just under 18 million dollars. While building activity has decreased, zoning enforcement continues to escalate, taking up a major portion of time in this office.

The towns of Shutesbury, Shelburne, and Whately were the most active members of the Cooperative, accounting for 52 dwelling units, in addition to 154 other permits issued.

Fiscal Year 1990 saw an increase in building permit fees charged by the Cooperative, as voted by the F.C.C.B.I.P. Board of Directors and initiated on 8/13/90, with the positive effect being an increase in revenue to the member towns.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the newest addition to our staff, Victor Staley. Victor began his duties in January of 1990, and has been an excellent addition to an already outstanding staff. His easy-going professionalism and attention to detail has been noted continually by citizens within the program's jurisdiction. Welcome to the Cooperative Victor!

I would like to thank the staff for all of the help they have extended to me during my first year on the job. Finally, I wish to thank the town officials, builders, and residents of the member towns for their help, cooperation, understanding, and patience during this past year. It was greatly appreciated.

F.C.C.B.I.P.

FISCAL YEAR REPORT FROM JULY 1, 1989 to JUNE 30, 1990

Town	Permits	Value	Dwelling Units*	Permit Fees	Certif. of Occ.	Inspec. Issued ^o	C.I. Fees	Other Fees	Total Fees
Ashfield	71	\$ 1,464,275	11	\$ 7,175	15	7	\$ 144	\$ 10	\$ 7,329
Barnardston	61	1,052,941	8	5,905	11	10	320	5	6,230
Buckland	54	778,491	5	3,785	15	13	243	10	4,038
Charlemont	52	1,077,741	10	4,630	11	14	244	10	4,884
Conway	54	1,056,637	8	5,360	20	5	135	15	5,510
Erving	43	1,944,334	8	9,640	8	7	140	0	9,780
Gill	62	1,080,675	2	4,510	16	32	1,323	0	5,833
Hawley	17	522,960	5	2,145	2	4	45	0	2,190
Heath	34	836,640	7	4,220	8	3	0	10	4,230
Leverett	49	1,067,080	4	6,340	19	2	40	0	6,380
Leyden	18	538,570	4	2,680	7	3	0	5	2,685
Monroe	9	684,040	1	3,430	1	0	0	0	3,430
Shelburne	81	1,730,235	19	8,810	21	26	717	5	9,532
Shutesbury	59	1,780,300	18	9,212	24	15	175	140	9,527
Whately	66	2,091,710	15	10,415	17	18	440	0	10,855
TOTALS	730	\$17,706,629	125	\$88,257	195	159	\$3,966	\$210	\$92,433

^oThese figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates. Many other inspections are performed by B.I. but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

*2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

"Other Fees" reflect reinspections and duplication of permits and C.O.'s.

Franklin County Cooperative Wiring Inspector Program

Report for Fiscal Year 1990

	1989	1990	FY '90	FY '90
	Fees	Permits	1/1 - 6/30	Total
	7/1 - 12/31	7/1 - 12/31	Permits	Fees
Ashfield	\$ 2,610.00	49	22	\$ 3,860.00
Barnardston	1,138.00	31	25	2,218.00
Buckland	1,105.00	32	20	1,980.00
Charlemont	1,516.00	35	22	2,631.00
Conway	1,050.00	30	16	1,775.00
Erving	735.00	20	9	1,210.00
Hawley*	185.00	5	4	445.00
Heath	940.00	26	20	1,780.00
Leverett	855.00	24	18	1,730.00
Monroe	50.00	1	3	557.00
Northfield	1,920.00	50	39	3,810.00
Shelburne	1,115.00	28	19	2,095.00
Wendell	570.00	18	16	1,355.00
Whately	956.00	21	27	2,346.00
Totals	\$14,745.00	370	260	\$27,792.00

*Fee-for-service

EDWARD F. MARCHEFKA
Wiring Inspector

Franklin County Cooperative Plumbing & Gas Inspector Program

Report for Fiscal Year 1990

	1989 Fees 7/1 - 12/31	1989 Permits 7/1 - 12/31	1990 Fees 1/1 - 6/30	1990 Permits 1/1 - 6/30	FY '90 Total Permits	FY '90 Total Fees
Ashfield	\$ 1,300.00	39	\$ 1,630.00	34	73	\$ 2,930.00
Barnardston	780.00	27	988.00	29	56	1,768.00
Buckland	975.00	36	752.00	18	54	1,727.00
Charlemont	775.00	20	1,589.00	26	46	2,364.00
Conway	1,030.00	32	1,728.00	30	62	2,758.00
Erving	748.00	19	770.00	15	34	1,518.00
Hawley	270.00	7	110.00	2	9	380.00
Heath	1,020.00	29	752.00	18	47	1,772.00
Leverett	985.00	30	1,208.00	25	55	2,193.00
Leyden	513.00	15	676.00	17	32	1,189.00
Monroe	45.00	2	447.00	5	7	492.00
Shelburne	1,030.00	35	1,803.00	32	67	2,833.00
Wendell	600.00	15	597.00	12	27	1,197.00
Whately	1,086.00	24	1,843.00	39	63	2,929.00
Totals	\$11,157.00	330	\$14,893.00	302	632	\$26,050.00

PAUL J. BUKOWSKI
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

Ambulance Service Report

Greetings:

It is in opening my second annual report to the town that I take a minute and reflect on the life of Alice Whitney. Without her 25+ years of service, I feel that we might not be as up-to-date as we are today. Many years ago when the EMTs first came on the scene in Massachusetts, it was Alice who kept after those of us that were in the service then to take the course and become EMTs. She didn't stop there but went around town looking for new people to become EMTs. If there was something on the state level that she didn't like, she went after the people in Boston who were trying to change everything at once. Alice knew that we could not stand still and be able to maintain a high quality care. In all her years of service, she kept us moving forward and changing for the better.

The year 1990 has, as usual, been one of many changes for the Ashfield Ambulance Service. We again have had over 100 runs this past year, most of which have been emergency runs.

Through the generosity of the community we have purchased a defibrillator at a cost of \$5,000. This was paid for from gifts received in memory of Alice Whitney, Mary Priscilla Howes and Verna Field. At this time, we also would like to acknowledge the anonymous donation of \$1,000 that put us over the top in this purchase. We currently have 12 EMTs certified in the use of this unit.

During this past year, the Fire Department, Police Department and the Ambulance Department have been the envy of some of the other area towns because we work so closely together. If it were not for Doug Field and Gary Sibilia and their departments, the EMTs would have a much harder time of covering the town. These other departments are always there to assist us. Thank you very much.

At this writing, we are working on compiling a card file for use by the Emergency Services to better serve you. You will also note that on the Annual Warrant there is an article to accept the Massachusetts statutes pertaining to 911. Enhanced 911 will cost the town nothing, at this time, and will greatly benefit us. I ask for your vote of acceptance.

Some thoughts that I would like to leave with you:

Without your financial support, we will not be able to provide service without cost to the public or to the town.

We need to have more people come forward and join our ranks.

To the EMTs, Dispatchers, First Responders and all others who work with and for the service: A great big "THANK YOU" from me for all the support you have given me in running the service.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS J. MOLLISON
Ambulance Director

Police Department Report

I am pleased and honored to present this, my third report, to the town of Ashfield as Chief of Police.

Due to the increased patrols and visibility of the cruiser and strict enforcement of traffic laws, the department has seen a great reduction in motor vehicle accidents.

During 1990 the Police Department investigated two Breaking and Entering which is a significant reduction from the 1989 statistic of twelve breaks. I contribute this to our success in solving these crimes.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the D.A.R.E. program in 1990: the principal, teachers, parents, students, Ashfield Police Officers and sponsors. Without each of you the program would not be complete. The students were terrific! Their questions and enthusiasm made each class interesting. Each one of my D.A.R.E. students are interesting and special; each one with special interests, hobbies and ideas. They are very special to me and, I am sure, to their parents and teachers. And to my family, thank you for not complaining when I was not at home.

I want to thank all members of the department for their enthusiasm, support and cooperation. I am proud to be associated with such a dedicated group of officers.

I also thank the Ashfield Police Association which provided more than \$1,500.00 for police equipment during these hard budget times.

Money turned into the town from the police department:

Money received from motor vehicle citations	\$18,695.00
Pistol Permits	360.00
Insurance Reports	70.00
Firearms Identification Cards	<u>26.00</u>
Total	\$19,151.00

In closing, I thank our residents for letting me serve them as Chief of Police. Our function is "The Badge Means We Care and Protect."

CRIME STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR OF 1990 and 1989

Crime	1990	1989
Assault & Battery	10	10
Assault & Battery on Police	0	1
Assault & Battery Dangerous Weapon	2	1
Accidents	33	67
Alarms	48	24
Arrests	27	38
Breaking & Entering	2	12
Citations Motor Vehicle	525	631
Court Hours	119	140
Investigated Incidents	1,045	992
Larcenies	13	27
Medical Assists	44	39
Missing Persons	7	2
Poss. of Dangerous Weapons	1	4
Poss. of Drugs	2	2
Protective Custody	9	10
Sexual Assault	2	1
Stolen Motor Vehicles	3	1
Summonses	30	50
Vacant House Checks	51	55
Vandalism	13	13
Warrants	11	12

Remember, if you need the police contact the Dispatch Center at 772-2133 and they will contact the duty officer.

Respectfully submitted,

GARY M. SIBILIA
Chief of Police

Board of Assessors

At long last the real estate upward spiral has run out of steam. Arms length sales in Ashfield have shown a distinct decline in numbers but, so far, current assessments remain lower than sale prices.

Construction was started on ten new houses in 1990 compared with twenty-four in 1989. Measuring and inspecting of all new houses and additions has to be done by the Board as well as inspecting or making a phone call for updates. The Board wishes to thank everyone for the courteous reception and cooperation given to us in the performance of our duties.

This next year, Fiscal '92, is a recertification year requiring an update of all property values to 100 percent to be approved by the Department of Revenue. It is our hope that, with the aid of the computer and the help of Patriot Properties in an advisory capacity, this update will be accomplished with a minimum of time and confusion for us as well as the taxpayer.

There are 1,575 taxable parcels with a total valuation of \$106,880,565 and the tax rate is \$10.38 per \$1,000 of valuation. The levy limit is \$1,047,680 and our debt exclusion is \$63,268 which includes the fire truck loan, the sewer loan and the grader loan. The maximum allowable levy limit is \$1,110,947.

The assessors in Franklin County are fortunate to have a person of Margaret Sullivan's capability as our county consultant. She has been most helpful in advising the Board and has saved the town money that would otherwise be spent for town counsel.

**MALCOLM S. CLARK
ELISABETH C. NYE
RICHARD H. GOUGEON
Board of Assessors**

Belding Memorial Library

The library had another busy year with an increase of 1,038 in circulation over last year. Our total circulation was 19,939 for 1990. Our Inter-Library-Loans increased also by 98 with 411 the overall total. Because we joined a book buying co-operative with other libraries and the Western Mass. Regional Library, we were able to purchase books at a greater discount. Therefore, we're about to buy a few more books than last year even though the cost of books has risen. We added 291 books to our adult collection with 223 purchased and 68 as gifts. In the children's room, 284 were added, 81 purchased and 203 as gifts. The large amount of children's gift books was due to the gift of about 100 books from James Trelease, author and lecturer of children's books.

The Friends of the Library sponsored summer programs for the children again this year during July and August. These are a great success and are well attended. A total of 316 attended the programs during the two months.

The Annual Book Sale was held in the basement of the library during the Fall Festival weekend and the Annual Raffle was held in the Town Hall. Both were a big success with members of the Friends in charge of both events.

Classes from Sanderson continued to visit the library which are now on Monday mornings.

A "Meet the Author" program was held in December with Margot Apple and Beverly Duncan. Bev gave the library her book, *Christmas in the Stable*, which she edited and illustrated and Margot Apple gave us three books. One she authored and illustrated called *Blanket* and the following two she illustrated: *Sheep in A Jeep* and *Sheep on a Ship*. Both are beginning reader books.

With help from the Regional Library, we weeded the adult non-fiction and the children's room. A great deal of the children's non-fiction was weeded out because it was outdated. The Friends gave us \$500 to replace what we needed to and to update as well as add new books to the children's room.

We had many gifts during the year. A 1982 set of *Encyclopedia Britannica* was given to the library by an anonymous donor as well as an older set given to be circulated. A beautiful book of *Wildflowers* was given the library in memory of Alice Whitney. Memorial gifts were given in the following persons' names: Norman Scott, Mary P. Howes, Betty Pickhardt and Elizabeth Wertheimer.

Among our Ashfield authors donating books were Joan Lennox, *Life Changes*; John Jerome, *Stonework* and Betty Scott presented the library with Norm's book, *From the Top Down and Back up Again*, which tells about rebuilding the finial on the Town Hall Steeple.

We wish to thank all those who donated money, memorial gifts, books and materials for the library and book sale. Also all those who loaned us

displays for our cabinet. Special mention and appreciation go to Mrs. Carrolle Markle for her continued donations to two memorial funds at the library.

In September we welcomed the volunteer services of Julie DuPree who has been coming every Wednesday afternoon after she gets through working in the school library at Mohawk Trail Regional High School. We certainly appreciate all her skills that she has used so willingly to help us.

I wish to thank the Library Trustees for their support during the year; Anne Judson and Nadine Smith for all their help; Mary Lucas who has led the book sale and assisted with the classes that come on Mondays; David Diluzio who keeps the library and grounds clean and in good repair; the Friends who have been truly that, especially Sandra Carter for her enthusiastic support and Lucy Sagalyn who always seems to have the library in mind; my husband who came to my aid when most needed.

One of our greatest rewards, however, are our patrons who use the library and give us tremendous support and encouragement.

BARBARA V. ZALENSKI
Librarian

Belding Memorial Library

Report of Income and Expenditures For the Year Ending June 30, 1990

Cash Balance, June 30, 1989	
Operating Funds	\$ -2.31
Reserve Funds	
H-NIS 0249	2,486.74
USB 12831	384.01
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	6,081.63
Sara Norton Fund	1,168.18
Hope Packard Fund	1,613.13
Markle Funds	1,499.33
Building Fund	10,552.19
Total	\$ 23,782.90
INCOME:	
Town of Ashfield	\$ 8,400.00
State Aid	2,148.73
Contributions	4,415.12
Other	1,495.61
Trust Income	
Belding Memorial Trust	4,724.98
Belding Memorial Surplus	319.82
Belding Endowment	271.60
Fred Cross Fund	378.55
Sara Norton Fund	106.99

Alonzo Lilly Fund	551.09
Hope Packard Fund	153.97
Markle Funds	88.64
Capital Improvement Fund (Prin.)	86,394.96
Capital Improvement Fund (Int.)	3,503.08
Reserve Funds Interest	
H-NIS 1110249	153.81
USB 12831	66.37
Total Income	<u>\$113,173.32</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Payroll	\$ 9,894.24
Books and Materials	4,908.91
Utilities	2,169.56
Building Project	2,019.17
Janitor	1,712.79
Other	1,892.87
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 22,597.54</u>
Cash Balance, June 30, 1990	
Operating Funds	\$ 1,384.80
Reserve Funds	
H-NIS 0249	2,640.55
USB 12831	644.03
Trust Funds	
Alonzo Lilly Fund	6,043.90
Sara Norton Fund	1,275.17
Hope Packard Fund	1,832.18
Markle Funds	1,689.46
Capital Improvement Fund (Prin.)	86,394.96
Capital Improvement Fund (Int.)	3,503.08
Building Fund	5,647.50
Total	<u>\$111,055.63</u>

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD M. EVANS
Treasurer

Report of the Belding Memorial Library Trustees

1990 saw another year of continued growth in service to patrons thanks to the unflagging efforts of library staff members Barbara Zalenski, Anne Judson and Nadine Smith. Barbara and Anne marked their fifteenth year of service to the library this year. Nadine continues her volunteer efforts on the library's behalf in her role as Treasurer to the Friends of the Library.

Assistance and support of the Friends under the leadership of Sandra Carter has again greatly enriched the library's book collection, service and programming. A generous donation for the purchase of new children's books, a very successful series of summer programs for children, the Fall Festival book sale and raffle and several programs for adults were among the contributions by the Friends in 1990.

In September we received notification that Belding Library had been selected to be in the first group of recipients to receive state and federal building renovation and construction funds in 1991. Contracts for the grants were signed by the Selectmen, Trustees and Board of Library Commissioners. Present plans call for the renovations and construction of the library addition to begin this summer with completion next winter.

Trustees Mary Lucas and Maurice Isserman left the Board in 1990 to be replaced by George Monk and Tiertza Schwartz.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANA BENNETT, Chair

Foothills Health District Report

The townspeople of Ashfield voted at annual Town Meeting to join the Foothills Health District. The Town of Goshen cast a similar vote to become a new member of the District. The original members, Williamsburg and Whately, welcome the addition of these towns and applaud their commitment to keep abreast of the ever-changing, ever-expanding regulatory challenges which face them. The District is a working example of regional cooperation and the first Health District to cross county lines. It provides for the professional positions of a shared health agent and a part-time administrative secretary. The salaries and operating expenses are shared by the four member towns. The proportions are based on population figures.

State budget cuts have resulted in dramatic decreases in the technical and financial support that was once offered to the towns. The draconic curtailment in staff at the MDPH and the relocation of the Amherst Division of Food and Drug to Boston directly affects the assistance local Boards of Health can hope to receive today and in the future. In concert with budget cuts, the State has revised many of the food services, sanitary and environmental codes resulting in increased responsibilities for the Board of Health. Resources to address these legal obligations are extremely limited. Other services compete for these same finances but no other arm of local government carries the extensive scope of responsibilities as the Board of Health.

The formation of a Health District is the most logical way to obtain professional expertise in the areas of public and environmental health. The consequences of casual enforcement and partial fulfillment of mandated obligations can lead to litigation proceedings against the town by any affected person or the State. The health agent can ease the threat of liability by adhering to all local and State regulations and maintaining accurate records. The most fundamental of these laws govern the licensing and inspection of all food service establishments, sewage disposal review and permitting, water testing and well installation review and permitting and campground and housing inspections. A fee schedule has been approved by the towns which reflects the true costs of conducting these inspections. The revenue generated is expected to offset the costs of operating the District and is cycled through the general revenue account of each town.

The goals of the Foothills Health District are to anticipate potential problems and deal with them before they become crises, to decrease the reasonableness of cause for litigation and to raise the level of public awareness concerning sanitation and public health. The District seeks your support in achieving these goals.

Respectfully submitted,

JOAN BARRY

District Health Agent

Visiting Nurse and Health Services

Annual Report — Fiscal Year 1990

The Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, a program of Franklin Medical Center, has continued to provide a comprehensive array of health services to patients recovering from acute episodes of illness, and high risk infants and mothers at home this year. Services are provided by qualified professionals including registered nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists. Personal care services are trained home health aides are also provided as an adjunct to skilled care.

In 1990 the following services were rendered to 24 patients:

Nursing Visits:

Care of the Sick:	78
Maternal/Child Health:	35
Physical Therapy Visits:	8
Home Health Aide Visits:	294

The agency has a large component of homemakers whose services are available to help the frail elderly to remain independent at home by assisting with light housekeeping, personal care, shopping, and errands. Referrals for any of the above services are accepted from physicians, hospitals, patients, and/or families. Call 774-2302 for services.

In addition, the agency provides for the Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC) for all of Franklin County from our office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield. Call 774-2302 to enroll.

Council on Aging Report

As the new Director of the Shelburne Senior Center, this brief report allows me the opportunity to review the activities and services offered to the elders of West Franklin County. Based on monthly reports since July 1990 and on my observations during my first few weeks of employment, I am impressed with the number and the quality of services rendered by a small dedicated staff and an enthusiastic corps of volunteer workers. Each of the following areas are essential components of the organization (statistics are for the first half of FY '91, July - Dec., 1990).

Transportation: Through a contract with the Franklin Regional Transportation Authority (FRTA), the Senior Center provides a demand-response ride system for the elderly and the handicapped. Over 74 individuals were transported to doctors and hospitals, to educational and cultural events, and for shopping and personal needs trips for a total of 1,682 rides extending over 12,274 miles. The system centers around a wheelchair van with a paid driver (30 hours/week) and volunteer drivers

utilizing their own automobiles. Fiscal coordination, reporting, and dispatching are the responsibility of the Director and two Senior Aides.

Programs: During the year the Center handles hundreds of information and referral questions and offers health and education programs of special interest to elders. Clinics on diabetes, flu, galucoma, blood pressure, breast cancer, and the mature eye were a few of the programs attended by 543 individuals during the past six months.

Food Distribution: The Center offers three different programs to assist elders in managing their budgets and their nutritional needs.

- * Meals on Wheels, spear-headed by a group of volunteer drivers, dispensed 5,509 meals to 103 home-bound elders
- * The congregate meal-site brings seniors to the Center in a social setting and served 2,046 meals to 127 individuals
- * The Brown Bag Program, subsidized by the Food Bank in Hatfield, provides a once-a-month bag of staples such as butter, sugar, flour, and cereal to a needy group of 86 individuals.

Personnel: The Senior Center is staffed by a Director (30 hours), Outreach Worker (10 hours), a Meal-site Coordinator (20 hours), and two Senior Aides (20 hours each). The Director is responsible for the overall operation of the Center, the goals and objectives of the Councils on Aging, the transportation system, health and information programs, and elder advocacy. The Outreach Worker identifies and helps elders with special problems and crisis situations, especially elders considered at risk.

One of the most important missions of the Senior Center is to help elders remain independent and healthy. Through the programs of the Center, town and rural elders are offered an escape from isolation and help with medical and personal problems. The necessity of nursing home/long-term care is delayed and the financial benefit is passed on the State, to towns, and to individuals.

Respectfully submitted,

RON BROWN

**Director, Shelburne Senior Center
Councils on Aging**

Dog Officer Report

The Ashfield Dog Officer's activities have declined this year. I feel this is due to pet owners taking better care of their animals along with an increased community awareness of our dog problems. Statistically the incidents have declined, however, those that did occur were of a serious nature and took considerable time and effort to resolve. There were three confirmed dog bites this year and numerous harassments by dogs threatening bikers, joggers, and people walking. Sanderson Academy again

was a troubled area with loose dogs on the school grounds. Hopefully, with the cooperation of the dog owners, we can end the harassment and liability problems with dogs on school property.

During this past year I have had many inquiries regarding peoples rights concerning loose and aggravating dogs. Ashfield has a year-round restraining order on all dogs. Under Massachusetts General Laws everyone has the right to protect themselves and their livestock from unruly dogs that are away from their owner's control. A person shall not be held liable, being able to show sufficient evidence for his actions. This must be done in a "safe and humane manner."

Another area of concern is lost hunting dogs. Our policy has been to pick up hunting dogs that seem lost or disoriented. This is done not only to protect the animal but also motor vehicle operators, should a lost dog run into our roadways. Most hunting dogs have tags or identification which enables us to contact the owner immediately. If anyone sees an injured animal whose owner is unknown to them, they may contact me or the Ashfield Police Department. Medical attention can then be sought to prevent further suffering of the animal.

This year I received many calls on cats that were missing or found. I do have facilities to care for cats, however, it always seems there are more cats than owners. We, by law, have to take in stray or unwanted cats. There is no reimbursement from the county for the care of felines and placement in new homes is sought immediately.

As a reminder, any dog six months or older has to be licensed. A current rabies shot certificate has to be produced to the Town Clerk before such license can be issued. Any new resident of this town must purchase a license for their dog(s) within 30 days.

All lost and found dogs notices are placed in the post office, Elmer's and Rice's store. Anyone having questions or concerns regarding dogs or cats can contact me at 628-3811.

DOG STATISTICS

Dogs placed	12
Dogs destroyed	0
Phone calls	1,484
Dogs confined	24
Mileage	2,358
Labor hours	687
Kennel expense	0
Fines collected	\$89.00

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN KIRKPATRICK
Dog Officer

Ashfield Energy Resources Commission Report

The AERC met often this past year to primarily discuss how to make our transfer station more efficient and to improve our recycling program. The results have been encouraging.

We proposed a new budget that is 20% less than last year's, a savings to the town of \$16,800! \$10,000 of the reduction is from recycling, the balance from reduced compactor trips to the Northampton landfill.

In 1990, we implemented several new programs and procedures including the "pay as you throw" disposal system and plastics recycling. Both have helped reduce greatly the amount of trash thrown into the compactor. A second recycling bin was purchased to handle the overflow created by such excellent participation in the glass and paper recycling programs.

Since the start of our participation in the Materials Resource Facility (MRF) Paper/Can/Glass Recycling Program last spring, we have increased the amount of recycled materials while lowering our amount of non-recyclable waste. We now recycle approximately one-half of our total waste compared to less than one-third a year ago. All this adds up to significant cost savings for the town.

Over 100 households responded to our first survey and many ideas and trends will be implemented as a result. Chris Reid has helped all of us adjust to the numerous changes through her monthly column in the Ashfield News. Informative graphs, charts and statistics detailing the success and savings of recycling are posted on the bulletin board inside the book exchange bin.

A work bee was held this summer to clean up the sheds, create the plastics storage, and sell permits.

Tom McCrumm and Chris Reid attended the monthly meetings of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative which has been a great help in setting up our plastics recycling. Tom visited the Materials Resource Facility (MRF) in Springfield and saw firsthand where all that glass, tin and paper goes and what happens to it.

Our thanks to the Library for overseeing the book exchange and to all those who have made the Mohawk Bottle Drive a success. We'd like to thank all residents of Ashfield who have cooperated with all the changes at the transfer station and the money you've saved our town. It's made our job much easier!

PHILIP PLESS, Chair
TOM McCRUMM
CURT PICHETTE
CHRIS REID
LALLIE PRATT
BILLY GUILD (Hawley Rep.)

Hilltown Resource Managment Cooperative

The Towns of Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Hatfield, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield, Westhampton, Williamsburg and Worthington make up the Hilltown Cooperative. The HRMC is a unique organization created to serve the member towns and help them solve the complicated problems associated with waste disposal.

First and foremost this strategy involves the recycling of as many materials as possible including paper, cardboard, glass, metal cans and plastics. Secondly, the implementation of proper waste disposal methods for bulky waste, bulky metals, white goods, demolition debris, tires, household hazardous waste, etc., along with the disposal of everyday household trash which cannot be recycled.

During the past year, HRMC has been involved in the following major efforts on behalf of the member communities:

- 1) Implementation of an eleven town Recycling Hauling contract which saved each town a significant amount on hauling fees.
- 2) Monitoring and administration of the trash disposal contract with the City of Northampton which has helped to further reduce trash hauling fees.
- 3) Initiation of education programs to aid in recycling and proper waste disposal habits and the planning of hazardous waste collection days for June 1991.
- 4) The newest HRMC program involves the recycling of plastic jugs. To date over 12 tons of plastic have been recycled saving the Towns over \$1,600 in combined disposal and hauling costs.
- 5) HRMC will sponsor and administrate a set of Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days involving all 11 member communities.
- 6) The HRMC coordinator will continue to advise and work with the towns and regulatory bodies in order to solve solid waste disposal problems in a timely cost efficient fashion.

A Major goal of the HRMC is to help the Towns keep down long term solid waste disposal costs during the tough fiscal times ahead by organizing the solid waste disposal and recycling effort amongst the member communities. I thoroughly enjoy my role in assisting the members of the cooperative and look forward to the upcoming year with great promise and expectation. This is your cooperative and together we can make it work.

ERIC WEISS
Coordinator, HRMC

HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE

Fiscal Year 7/1/91 - 6/30/92 Budget

Approved by HRMC Membership 12/6/90

Town	Population	% of Total	Assessment	50% Payment
Ashfield	1,500	10.89%	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 2,550.00
Chesterfield	1,000	7.26%	3,400.00	1,700.00
Cummington	657	4.77%	2,233.80	1,116.90
Goshen	651	4.73%	2,213.40	1,106.70
Hatfield	3,045	22.11%	10,353.00	5,176.50
Huntington	1,804	13.10%	6,133.60	3,066.80
Middlefield	385	2.80%	1,309.00	654.50
Plainfield	425	3.09%	1,445.00	722.50
Westhampton	1,137	8.26%	3,865.80	1,932.90
Williamsburg	2,237	16.24%	7,605.80	3,802.90
Worthington	932	6.77%	3,168.80	1,584.40
Totals	13,773	100.00%	\$46,828.20	

Notes:

- 1) Population figures are from 1980 Federal Census
- 2) Fees are \$3.40/per person
- 3) This is a level funded budget because the HRMC reduced its budget by 15% during the previous fiscal year

ERIC WEISS

Coordinator, HRMC

Report of the Ashfield Historical Commission

Monthly meetings of the Ashfield Historical Commission are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall. The Commission is seeking two members. Tom Ulrich and Deanne Brochu, two of the original appointees, have declined reappointment. Tom's assistance has been much appreciated by the other members; his experience as an archeologist and his familiarity with the workings of state agencies have been invaluable assets over the past five years. Deanne Brochu, who has served as chairperson since the formation of the local Commission, has guided the committee through the labyrinth of regulations governing the formation of a National Register District for the Town of Ashfield. Without her constant vigilance and her pointed questions to the members of the State Commission in Boston, Ashfield would have remained "one of those little hill towns 'way out there beyond the Connecticut River." The application is now scheduled for review in Boston in March 1991, with a site visit to Ashfield slated for the end of February to clear up any unanswered questions. We are delighted!! And

we all thank Dee for her perseverance and for cracking the whip over the rest of us during this long process. Once the State review is complete, the application will advance to review in Washington. As a National Register District, the Village's historical features will be protected when state or federal money is used for a project.

The inventory of the other sections of the Town of Ashfield is nearly completed and will be updated annually to include changes in ownership and to encompass those structures which become fifty years old, which is one of the criteria for inclusion in the Register.

The preservation of sites and structures under the charge of historical commissions in Massachusetts include, in addition to houses, barns, and public buildings, monuments of an earlier time such as the stone bridge in Apple Valley, the site of the first Baptist Church, and the stone foundation of the first fortified dwelling in Ashfield.

Now that the wheels have been set in motion and the Commonwealth Historical Commission knows who we are, the next ventures should be a little easier and perhaps speedier.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANNE BROCHU [resigned 6/90]

SUSAN McGOWAN

RICHARD TURNER

TOM ULRICH [resigned 6/90]

ANNE YURYAN

The Ashfield Historical Commission

Conservation Commission Report

The duties of the Conservation Commission include local application of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, as well as other conservation-related duties. We ask all Ashfield citizens to take seriously the protection of our local natural resources by bringing to our attention any concerns regarding local wetlands protection, endangered species, timber cutting, etc. Most of our regular business involves review of Requests for Determination, and Notices of Intent, under the Wetlands Act.

Requests for Determination result in a decision by the Conservation Commission as to whether the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act applies to a given project. When any doubt exists as to whether excavation, construction, or related activities will take place within 100 feet of wetlands, the Commission should be notified, and a Determination will be made.

Notice of Intent is filed by a landowner to inform the Commission when work is to take place with wetlands or their 100-foot buffer zone. If work is clearly within the wetlands or buffer zone, the Request for

Determination is usually bypassed. Submitting a Notice of Intent provides the Commission with a clear plan of what construction is proposed. On this basis, a public hearing is advertized and held, at which the applicant, abutters, and anyone else may participate. Following the hearing, site visits by Commission members, and approval by the regional office of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP, formerly DEQE) in Springfield, an Order of Conditions is usually issued, which specifies how wetlands are to be protected.

In 1990, the Conservation Commission reviewed 13 Notices of Intent, 5 Requests for Determination, and 15 other inquiries. We held a total of 22 public hearing sessions, and made 28 site visits. Notices of Intent included 3 by the Town (bridge, box culvert and culvert renovations), 5 for new or replacement domestic septic systems, 3 for pond construction, and one each for foundation drainage and building additions within wetland buffer zones.

Fees collected totalled \$1,145.00 for calendar year 1990, of which \$702.50 was deposited with Ashfield, and the remainder with the State DEP. Under state law, these fees are used to support Conservation Commission business and other environmental expenditures on the part of the Town.

In 1990, we have made an effort to inform townspeople about our activities with a monthly report in the *Ashfield News*. In addition, members of the Commission are taking part in the efforts of two committees — the Open Space Committee and the Groundwater Protection Committee — as part of our interest in protecting Ashfield's environment.

Our minutes are on file at the Town Hall, as are new maps showing the location of endangered species habitats within Ashfield, and site plans for all work under the Commission's jurisdiction. These records may be seen upon request to the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD WEBER
ALAN SURPRENANT, Chair
MARK SPEES
KENNETH ROBERTS
RICHARD MULLER

Report of the Planning Board

Merton Libby became the newest member of the Planning Board at the annual town election in May replacing Dianne Muller after the expiration of her term.

The board received ten applications for Special Permit. This number is down slightly from the number of thirteen received the previous year. Nine permits were granted and one was withdrawn. These permits were

granted for a number of small businesses; such as, woodworking shops, a graphic design studio, book publishing, real estate offices, a Bed & Breakfast and a mail order parts business. A few applications came under the category of "expansion of non-conforming use," including a deck expansion and a kitchen ell.

Over the past few years, the board has regularly endorsed many divisions of land into lots along frontage through the ANR process. However, requests for endorsement of this type of plan, had noticeably declined by the end of the year.

The board has also overseen and encouraged the work of two other ongoing committees. Both the Open Space Committee and the Groundwater Protection Committee are currently meeting and compiling drafts to fulfill their respective mandates.

A great deal of effort this year has been expended in the review of the comprehensive proposal for new zoning bylaws for the town. This proposal was received from the Subcommittee to Review the Bylaws in June of 1990. After review by the Planning Board, the proposal began its journey to the voters when it was submitted to the Selectmen in September. A public hearing was held in November. After comments received at the hearing, the proposal has undergone some further revisions and as of this writing is expected to go to another public hearing shortly and then on to a special town meeting.

The Planning Board would like to thank the members of the Subcommittee to Review the Bylaws who spent nearly a year and a half meeting, listening, reviewing, revising and rewriting. This proposal would not have reached this stage without their commitment to this process. Members of the subcommittee included: Ray Cassidy, Buz Eisenberg, Phyllis Kirkpatrick, Jack McNiff, and Dianne Muller. Mary Fitz-Gibbon and Ken Rillings were also contributors.

The board would also like to thank the staff of the Franklin County Planning Department who offered innumerable hours of technical assistance but most especially to all the citizens and members of other town boards who took the time to offer their perspectives and assistance, criticism as well as support.

It is hoped that because of all the public comment, that this proposal will be evaluated by all the voters of town as a guide for both the orderly development of growth and the protection of the resources and character of Ashfield well into the future.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE YURYAN, Chairperson
GRACE LESURE, Clerk
RICHARD CHANDLER
MERTON LIBBY
MARK SPEES

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

As I write my twelfth Annual Report, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the nation are in a period of great uncertainty. There are many political and fiscal issues that are confronting the nation as school committees and communities prepare budgets for the 1992 Fiscal Year.

The preparation and passage of the budgets for the current school year was a long and difficult process. It was not until August last summer, before the budgets were completed. The adoption of these budgets required many reductions in staff, educational programs, and materials. There may be other reductions necessary this year as a result of the huge budget deficit that faces the Commonwealth at this time. The passage of the current budget required an amendment to the Mohawk Regional Agreement and the launching of a major effort to secure funding through the Small Town School Aid legislation. This was a successful effort that will result in increased state aid for small communities in Massachusetts. The many people involved in the securing of these funds are to be commended for this major achievement.

There have been numerous fund raising events across the communities in the Mohawk area. Over \$100,000 has been raised to help offset some of the reductions in school budgets. There are again numerous people who have made contributions and others who volunteered to help with the many activities.

As superintendent, I have grave concerns as the budgets are being developed for next year. School committees can't continue to make reductions in staff and programs without sacrificing the quality of education that has been the standard for area schools. At Mohawk eight teaching positions have been eliminated in two years. There are a number of building projects that will need attention in the near future as well.

As I conclude this report I want to thank the many community members who have supported the schools in so many ways. The staff members at all schools are making a major effort to continue to provide quality education to area students. Students at Mohawk have been very responsible in meeting the challenges of schedule changes that have resulted from course eliminations. Town officials are extremely cooperative in all matters and have shown great concern for the schools. Parents and community volunteers continue to be an important ingredient in the success of local schools.

I have confidence that by working together we'll be able to solve many of the issues that currently confront our communities and continue to provide the kind of education that students need and deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE E. WILLARD
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Sanderson Academy School Principal

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Sanderson Academy for the school year 1989-1990.

There were 19 Ashfield students who graduated in June 1990. They are:

Steven Cockerill
Justin Dufresne
Christie Gibson
Laura Helser
Eben LaBelle
Nicholas Lund-Ulrich
Estella Mollison
Nicole Sadowski
Jessica Silver
Adam Wiedmann

Ariel Cohen
Meaghan Edelstein
Stephanie Haskins
Thomas Johnson
Emily Leue
Jansen McNay
Justin Nawrocki
Amy Schreiber
Nathan Swem

Our total enrollment on December 1, 1990 equals 222 students in grades K-6. The numbers of students at each grade level are as follows: kindergarten, 25 children; grade one, 28 children; grade two, 43 children; grade three has 27 students; grade four, 31; grade five, 32; and sixth grade totals 37 students. This year there were 154 students enrolled from Ashfield. Plainfield students total 63 and there are two tuition students, one in grade one and one in the sixth grade. There are two classes per grade level, except for third grade, and all classes are heterogeneously grouped.

The faculty this year consists of 12 regular classroom teachers and one special needs teacher. There are three part-time teachers for art, music and gym. Jean Corso provides psychologist/counseling services on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Beverly Blatt was hired provide speech therapy on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Martha Conant was hired as a reading specialist/Chapter I teacher.

The Essential Skills grant monies were further reduced this academic year. With the funding that was available, we were able to hire three part-time aides to provide supplementary support in reading, math, and writing. One aide does so at the 1/2 grade level, one aide works at the third grade level, and the third at the sixth grade level.

Staff changes this year are as follows: Sandra Carter and Katherine First returned from maternity leaves, replacing Karen Wilson-Plaza and Gina Fusco. The two third grade classes had to be combined into one because of budget cuts, eliminating a position for William Cole.

The Horace Mann Grant funding was again drastically cut this year. Only one teacher's proposal was funded. This proposal will allow the teacher to prepare a unit on the Ranney diary.

Members of the Sanderson faculty serve on several advisory boards: Early Childhood Council, School Improvement Council, Insurance,

Regional Task Group on Education, and the Middle School Council. They also participate in PTO, PAC and School Committee meetings.

The School Committee has approved the combination of the first and second grades into four combined 1/2 classes for the next 3 years. The Group Advisory Review Board (GARP) will oversee and evaluate the effectiveness of this setup and make recommendations to the School Committee. As a result of the combination, the primary staff has revised the language arts and math curriculum and the rest of the staff will do so during the year to assure cohesiveness and continuity.

Sanderson's Early Childhood grant was cut but refunded. This allows the Ashfield Preschool and Sanderson to provide services to 24 preschool children and their families. Sanderson will be an Opportunity School for the next two years, which provides Sanderson with a little extra funding.

The program with the Arts Council of Franklin County for our third and fourth grade students continues. This past fall they worked on a "Recycling" series which will continue in the spring with another focus and different artists. The Ashfield and Plainfield Arts Lottery Councils have funded programs which allowed Jay Goldspinner to perform and teach about storytelling.

Donations to the "Kaleidoscope" fund made it possible for performer Eshu Bumpus to perform and teach about African folktales; for Zacciah Blackburn to do a workshop for the sixth grade on flutes from around the world; and for the second grade to go to the SKAN Center while studying Native Americans.

We continue to use the Ashfield House for our two sixth grade classrooms.

Parent volunteers again provide support to our classroom teachers. Parents and townspeople work with individuals in small groups or help in the preparation of materials.

The Parent Advisory Council remains active. Improving test score results has been an ongoing topic of discussion.

The PTO has had a successful fund drive for providing support to teachers. They have funded many requests for materials and trips.

The Ashfield American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary have donated funds for the purchase of library books. The Sanderson Trustees have donated funds for student activities and materials. The Ashfield Lions Club has provided funds for the leasing of the office copy machine. Massamont Insurance has donated funds through their "Community Reinvestment Fund" for the trip to Mexico.

I participated in the Commonwealth Leadership Institute during the year. I feel that doing so was very helpful in addressing the various issues and concerns that come up during the year: bussing, test results, combined grades, and loss of staff due to budget cuts.

Respectfully submitted,

IDALIA MORALES, Ed.D.

Principal of Sanderson Academy

Mohawk Trail Regional High School

Annual Report of the Principal

I am pleased to present my ninth annual report as Principal of Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The past year has been marked by many hills and valleys as the school struggled through a major fiscal crisis.

The opening of the school year in September was marked by the loss of six additional teachers. We saw the elimination of the German and Latin programs, the elimination and closure of the wood, metal and food preparation programs, and the loss of a social studies teacher and a teacher in the program for behaviorally difficult students. These reductions were compounded by the loss of a math and a science teacher during the previous year. The school also sadly felt the elimination of a remedial position which was funded through a state grant. In this period of time, the population of school remained stable with large increases seen in the near future.

The students and staff have reacted to these difficult times with commitment and dedication. Despite class sizes in some areas reaching the high thirties, and increased duties for staff in all areas, there remains a quiet orderly climate in which education can and does still occur. The level of stress is evident on everyone because we are not able to offer those programs which we feel are vital to students in their preparation for careers and college.

This year was also marked by positive contributions in the areas of academics and athletics. Students are making preparations for college admittance and career ambitions. Several large scholarship donations enable us to provide high levels of aid to students considering post-secondary education. The Town of Rowe has generously contributed funds to maintain a guidance position which was threatened by budget cuts. The school is very grateful for this kindness.

Middle school students presented the musical "Oliver," to the community in three performances which drew record crowds. The all-school musical, "Fiddler on the Roof," is in production for the spring. Athletically, Mohawk saw many successes and high levels of involvement by students. The winter sports program hopes to provide for some championship teams. Mohawk athletic programs have survived intact due to the parents of the Mohawk Athletic Association who have raised very substantial amounts of money to continue programs for young people.

We enter the new year with hope and optimism and yet with much apprehension. Our goal is to restore vital programs for students, yet we fear the poor economic news which faces our state and our towns. Our pledge is to continue to work as best as possible under these tenuous conditions. We thank all who have contributed time and effort to the school in our days of need. Your contributions are appreciated and will not be forgotten.

PHILIP A. DZIALO
Principal

MOHAWK GRADUATES FROM THE TOWN OF ASHFIELD

Owa Brandstein
Heather Clark
Darrin Dickinson
Eamon Doyle
Diane Fuller
Peter Harrington
Aria Ingham
Erik Jaspersohn
Kelly Johnson
Heather Kirkpatrick
Stephanie Lagoy

Mary Lamoureux
Dianne Lesure
Roger Novak
Katrina Pearson
Ingrid Phelps
Thomas Sadowski
Kimberly Tatro
Vicki Taylor
Laura Van Guilder
Tamara Wilde

Special Education Report

As of December 1, 1990 there are 308 children receiving special education services throughout the nine towns of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District. This accounts for approximately 16% of the total student population.

The majority of special services are provided within the individual's school district whenever possible. When, as in some cases, it becomes more effective to provide out-of-district services, such services are sought.

Chapter 766 of the Acts of 1972 requires that, "school age children": any person of ages three through twenty-one up to his/her twenty-second birthday, who has not obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent and who are not progressing effectively in a regular education program because of temporary or more permanent adjustment difficulties or attributes arising from intellectual, sensory, emotional, or physical factors, cerebral dysfunctions, perceptual factors, or other specific learning impairments," may be eligible for special education services.

In order to meet the needs of our students, a wide variety of services are provided. A number of these services and their providers cover the entire nine town district, while others are found in individual districts.

System-wide, adaptive physical education, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and the services of an Early Childhood Coordinator are provided. A great deal of the therapy provided is on a one-to-one or small group basis. The goals and objectives that the therapist and student work on are addressed in the child's Individual Education Plan. These goals and objectives are periodically reviewed so the child's program will continuously provide for the best possible program.

The Early Childhood Coordinator is responsible for implementing federally mandated child search activities in the nine town area throughout the year. The Early Childhood Coordinator coordinates and/or participates in: a) special needs screening of preschoolers age 3 to 5 years;

b) special needs screening of Kindergarteners; and c) team meetings of preschoolers and Kindergarteners. The Early Childhood Coordinator acts as a liaison with outside agencies serving young children as well as coordinating special education services to preschoolers ages 3 to 5 years. The Early Childhood Coordinator also acts as a resource person to parents, teachers and other school staff in regard to resources, programs and services for young special needs children.

The goal of our special education services is to "mainstream," that is to integrate the child into regular education programs as much as possible. The special education programs within our district strive to mainstream youngsters as much as possible. There are eleven special need rooms throughout the nine town district. Most of the students serviced by these programs are seen for areas such as language arts, math, study skills, etc. The special education teacher often coordinates the child's program with that of the regular education program. With the assistance of special education aides, the goals and objectives of each child's Individualized Education Plan are implemented and evaluated periodically.

Each of the schools within our district receives services from a school psychologist. The school psychologist contributes a variety of services to our schools. Chief among these services are their assessments of individual's abilities and the counseling provided to individuals.

All of the support services provided within our nine town district depend upon the strong networking of talents. Parents, through individual and Parent Advisory Council support, school personnel and outside support agencies, all assist in providing guidance in programs for children in both special and regular education programs. It is this coordinated effort that strengthens special education programs and enables us to meet the special needs of those we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD J. McINERNEY
Special Education Director

School Library/Media Center Report

This past year the school district libraries joined the Western Massachusetts Purchasing Consortium sponsored by the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System in Hatfield. Membership in this consortium enabled our libraries to purchase books from a common vendor at greatly reduced prices. The school district library/media centers received a Block Grant allocation of \$5,904.50 which was designated for the acquisition of science books grades K-12.

Serious budget problems adversely affected the school library programs in all buildings except the Rowe Elementary School. Not only was money for books, supplies, periodicals and equipment drastically reduced, but all of these schools experienced reduction in service to students and teachers due to personnel cuts. Despite these major problems, the school libraries have been carried through a tumultuous year by many dedicated volunteers and generous contributions. I would like to extend a special thank you to the following volunteers for their many hours of service to the school library/media programs: Dr. Mark Purinton, Bob Kugell, Judy Vetter, Allyson Page, Barbara Pantermehl, Irene Branson, Tamsen Merrill, Irene Gifford, Pam Hazlett, Donna Niles, Cindy Mansur, Cindy Shearer, Debbie Wheeler, Libby Burnham, Maryann Gould, Meg Hawkins, Tammy Hicks, Nancy Holmes, Janet Iwanowicz, Bonnie MacAdam, Linda Nell, Nancy Richardson, Beth Turner, Gina Wells, Olive Wood, Berta Glawischnig and Donna Shippee.

Despite decreases in the budgets, the district library circulation statistics have remained fairly constant as reflected in the following information:

Print Material	36,726
Non-Print Material	4,329
Interlibrary Loan	<u>179</u>
Total Circulation	41,234

At the close of 1990 district library/media personnel are as follows: Buckland-Shelburne Regional Elementary School - Toni Wilcox; Colrain Central School - Genie Lynch; Hawlemont Regional Elementary School - Sandy Gilbert; Rowe Elementary School - Wanda Musacchio; Sanderson Academy - Beverly Williams; Mohawk Trail Regional School - Susan Silvester, Marjorie Porrovecchio, Julie DuPree and Pat Hinds.

DR. SUSAN B. SILVESTER
Director of Instructional Media K-12

Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1990

After Transfers

ASSETS:			
Cash:			
United Bank	\$ 64,988.57		\$ 1,099.13
M.M.D.T.	<u>63,171.01</u>		
	128,159.58		
To Be Received:			
Town of Ashfield			\$ (18.02)
Town of Plainfield			<u>(1,354.56)</u>
Commonwealth of			
Massachusetts:			
To Be Received:			
Chapter 70			
Chapter 71, Reg. Aid			(10,405.00)
Chapter 71, Trans.			
Other State Aid			
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>\$128,159.58</u>		
LIABILITIES:			
Payroll Deductions:			
Blue Cross/Blue Shield			\$ (18.02)
Blue Cross/Blue Shield,			
Others:			
School Lunch Fund			\$ (1,361.58)
Meals Tax			<u>7.02</u>
Grants:			
Essential Skills FY 90			(10,405.00)
Estimated Receipts:			
Interest			
Miscellaneous			
Comm. of Mass.			
Budget:			
Band Revolving			(8.03)
Unrestricted Surplus			\$ 25,024.50
Restricted Surplus			64,000.00
Encumbered Salaries			49,821.56
TOTAL LIABILITIES:			<u>\$128,159.58</u>

Note: The complete financial report is available for inspection in the Ashfield Town Office.

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1990

After Transfers

Assets:		Liabilities and Reserves:	
United Bank Now	\$180,377.31	Asbestos Fund Balances:	
United Bank E.O.E.R.	1,180.09	Federal	\$ 6,043.30
United Bank		State	<u>178,521.28</u>
Money Market	165.71	Asbestos Expense	\$184,564.58
M.M.D.T.	815.22	Asbestos Interest Receipts	
M.M.D.T., Asbestos	<u>184,564.58</u>	Asbestos, Other Receipts	
	\$367,102.91		
Accounts Receivable:		Payroll Deductions:	
Town of:		Blue Cross/Blue Shield	8,412.14
Ashfield			
Buckland		Blue Cross/Blue Shield Other	(139.31)
Charlemont			
Colrain		Cafeteria:	
Hawley		School Lunch	(15,066.04)
Heath		Meals Tax	<u>0.00</u>
Plainfield			(15,066.04)
Shelburne			
		Music Fund	404.74
		Athletic Fund	13,171.63
		Grants**	10,813.16
		Due From General Fund	
		(EOER)	(.64)
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:			
Chapter 70			
Regional Aid			
Transportation			
SPED Transportation			

Estimated Receipts:	
Interest	
Miscellaneous	
Tuition	
Comm. of MA	
Driver Education Account	
Rotataing Salaries Acct.	(6,985.22)
Nillman Bequest	(2,732.50)
999 Account	
Gas Conversion Project	(5,028.78)
Unrestricted Surplus	(32,736.19)
Restricted Surplus	56,544.00
Encumbered Salaries FY90	141,405.29
School Budget Balance	
Librarian Salary Acct.	210.17
SPED Van Driver Salaries	(801.55)
Camp Keewanee Summer Program	15,067.43
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	\$367,102.91

**Grant Balances:
Chapter I FY90
Chapter I

(8,938.06)

Title VI B FY90
Title VI B

14,313.78

Adaptive P.E. FY90
Adaptive P.E.

2,587.86

Block Grant FY89	199.74
Block Grant FY90	461.35
Occupational Ed.	
E.O.E.R.	1,180.09
Essential Skills FY90	(8,198.00)
Essential Skills	
Childhood Planning	
Horace Mann	
CII Home School Collaborative FY90	.40
CII Resource Collaborative FY90	8.89
CII Oral Proficiency FY90	4.68
School Improvement	
Equal Educational Opportunity	
Drug Free Schools	(542.00)
Chapter 188 Health	25.74
Early Childhood Summer Program	5,128.00
Title II Northwest Consortium FY90	936.50
Project Independence FY90	3,644.19
Total	<u>\$ 10,813.16</u>

Mohawk Trail Regional School District Vocational Account

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1990

After Transfers

Assets:		Liabilities	
Cash:		Expenses:	
M.M.D.T.	\$344,793.32	Interest Payable	
State Street	<u>17,308.25</u>	Miscellaneous	
		Transportation	
		Tuition Expense	
Accounts Receivable:			
Towns		Notes Payable	\$790,000.00
Balance		Interest Earned	
		Miscellaneous Receipts	
		Fund Balance	352,101.57
		Town Receipts	
		Loan Receipts	
		Loan Offset	<u>(790,000.00)</u>
		Balance	<u>\$352,101.57</u>
			<u><u>\$352,101.57</u></u>

Note: The complete financial report is available for inspection in the Ashfield Town Office.

List of Appropriations — Fiscal 1991

The following is a true list of appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 5, 1990:

	Transfer	Taxation	Avail. Funds
Administrative Asst./Acct.	\$ 0.00	\$ 25,128.00	\$ 0.00
Assessors' Expenses		15,650.00	
Assessors' Recertification		4,000.00	
Audit & Accountant Services		2,750.00	
Belding Memorial Library		7,400.00	
Blue Cross/Blue Shield		23,500.00	
Board of Appeals		360.00	
Bonds		800.00	
Bldg. Insp./Plumbing/Wiring		21,268.05	
Care of Soldiers' Graves		350.00	
Conservation Commission		200.00	
Council on Aging		1,147.00	
Dog Officer Expenses		150.00	
Elections		876.00	
Fires & Equipment		12,275.00	
Fire Dept. Truck Loan			
Principal		20,000.00	
Interest		7,052.05	
Foothills Health District		15,602.00	
F.C. Dispatch Center		9,820.60	
Fuel/Oil Expenses			
Fire		1,000.00	
Police		3,000.00	
Ambulance/Highway		11,000.00	
Grader Loan			
Principal		15,530.00	
Interest		2,165.51	
Health, Board of		750.00	
Heating Town Bldgs.		3,800.00	
Highway Dept. Vac./Hol.		7,600.00	
Highway Dept. Sick Leave		3,300.00	
Highway Plow (Free Cash)			4,400.00
Highway Super's Salary		27,200.00	
Hilltown Resource Mgt.		5,100.00	
Historical Commission		200.00	
Inspector of Animals		150.00	
Insurance			
Public Off. Liability		2,500.00	
Town Bldgs/Equip.		21,000.00	
Interest on Loans		3,500.00	
Lake Weed Control			
(Lake Feasibility)	3,525.00		
Land Purchased - Barnes Rd.			
(Chap. 811)	8,000.00		

Lifeguard/Swimming	4,750.00		
Machinery Expenses			
(Machinery Earnings)	38,000.00	1,421.04	
Medicare	3,000.00		
Memorial Day	500.00		
Office Expenses	3,800.00		
Parks/Beach	2,375.00		
Planning Bd. Expenses	1,645.00		
Police Chief's Salary	26,175.00		
Police Dept.	23,950.00		
Registrars of Voters	500.00		
Rent of Hydrants	1,693.52		
Reserve Fund	10,000.00		
Retirement of System, Maint.	21,206.00		
Road Monies			
Chap. 497 - Gen Hway	65,000.00		
Schools			
Ashfield/Plainfield	passed over		
Mohawk Trail R.H.S.	passed over		
Sewage Treatment Design			
(Lake Feasibility)	5,000.00		
Sewer Loan			
Principal	15,000.00		
Interest	3,520.43		
Street Lights	3,339.00		
Street Lists	250.00		
Tax Collector's Expenses	3,373.00		
Town Clerk's Expenses	550.00		
Town Counsel	7,000.00		
Town Hall Maintenance	3,750.00		
Town Hall Renovation			
(Fred Cross Fund)		4,000.00	
Town Officers	19,000.00		
Town Reports/Val. Lists	3,000.00		
Transfer Station	67,200.00		
Treasurer's Expenses	1,200.00		
Tree Warden	2,000.00		
Unemployment Comp.	500.00		
Veterans' Benefits	100.00		
Veterans' Center	3,390.00		
Winter Roads (Free Cash)		65,000.00	
Workmen's Compensation	13,500.00		
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	\$ 16,525.00	\$ 625,391.16	\$ 74,821.04

Special Town Meeting, October 9, 1990

The following is a true list of appropriations voted at the special town meeting held on October 9, 1990:

Highway Dept. - Vac./Hol.	\$ (7,600.00)		
Free Cash		\$	7,600.00
Highway Dept. - Sick Leave	(3,300.00)		
Free Cash			3,300.00
Insurance-Town Bldgs/Equip.	(21,000.00)		
Free Cash			22,063.92
Workmen's Comp.	(13,500.00)		
Free Cash			13,500.00
Cable Licensing			1,000.00
(Free Cash)			
Roads - Chap. 15	\$ 76,582.00		
(Borrow)			
Parks/Beach-Transfer	4,000.00		
From Lifeguard/Swim.			
		\$1,303,808.17	\$ 129,784.96

The following is a true list of appropriations voted at the special town meeting on November 13, 1990:

Town Hall Renovation	\$ 8,939.88		
From 1987 Flood Rep.			
Highway Dept. - Pickup		\$	2,000.00
(Free Cash)			

At a special town meeting on January 28, 1991, the following transfer of funds was unanimously approved:

Interest on Loans			
Trans from Town Bldgs.	\$	4,500.00	

The following is a true list of appropriations voted at the Special Town Meeting held on June 19, 1990:

Schools			
Ashfield/Plainfield	\$ 270,298.00		
Mohawk Trail R.H.S.	453,519.01		
Shared Admin. Asst.		\$	7,500.00
	\$ 16,525.00	\$1,349,208.17	\$ 82,321.04

ATTEST:

LORRAINE GORDON, Town Clerk

Town Meeting Warrant

NOTE: This Warrant is for the voter's information only and changes, additions and/or deletions may occur. Due to fiscal uncertainties regarding state revenues, there may necessarily be monetary cuts prior to the posting of the Official Warrant.

FRANKLIN, SS:

To any of the constables of the Town of Ashfield in the County of Franklin, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet in said Ashfield, on Saturday, the fourth day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator, Auditor, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tree Warden, all for One year terms. A Selectman, Assessor, Finance Committee Member, Tax Collector, Sanderson School Committee Member, Board of Health Member and a Park Commissioner, all for Three year terms. A Member of the Planning Board and a Library Trustee, each for a Five year term. A Planning Board Member to fill an unexpired Four year term and a Library Trustee for an unexpired Three year term. Polls may close at 6:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 2. To act on the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following By-laws as summarized below:

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK BY-LAW

1) Annual registration of all underground storage tanks used exclusively for heating purposes with the Town Clerk.

2) Testing of underground storage tanks used exclusively for heating purposes if older than 10 years old. All younger tanks tested by December 31, 1993.

3) Removal of all underground storage tanks used exclusively for heating purposes by December 31, 2001.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS BY-LAW

1) The registration of more than 25 gallons of any one type of hazardous material with the Town Clerk.

2) The storage of more than 25 gallons of hazardous material on an impervious surface.

3) The reporting of any discharges to the Fire Department.

4) This by-law would prohibit the discharge of hazardous materials within the Town of Ashfield. (The entire text of the By-laws will be read by the Moderator and copies are available at the Town Offices.)

yes
ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 to operate and maintain the Transfer Station and Recycling Facility, or act relative thereto.

yes
ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,100.00 for the annual operational and administrative expenses of the Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC), or take any other action relative thereto.

yes
ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 in anticipation of partial reimbursement under Chapter 81, Section 31 of the General Laws, and transfer into a General Highway Fund, or act relative thereto.

X
ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to repair a portion of Norton Hill Road, or act relative thereto.

yes
ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 for Winter Roads, or act relative thereto.

yes
ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 to be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery, or act relative thereto.

two yes
ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to purchase a new sander for the Highway Department, and to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to draw on the Frederick Cross General Purpose Fund for this amount, or act relative thereto.

yes
ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,760.52 in order to pay \$15,530.00 towards the principal (\$31,060.00) and \$1,230.52 of interest on the Highway Grader Loan, or act relative thereto.

For review from Gary

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to go into the Stabilization Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any used Town Owned Equipment and/or property, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue and abandon the old section of Barnes Road beginning at the Ashfield/Buckland town line, thence in a southerly direction to the point of intersection with the new section of road surveyed and laid out for the selectmen by A. H. Beers, Surveyor, and accepted under Article 3 at the Town Meeting held on November 6, 1906.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,603.00 to pay Ashfield's share of the Foothills Health District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Law adopted on September 21, 1977, under Article 7 to read as follows:

A person who at the commencement of a license period is, or who during any license period becomes, the owner or keeper of a dog six months old or over and the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes six months old during a license period shall cause such dog to be registered, numbered, described, and licensed by the Town Clerk according to the provisions of MGL Chapter 140, Section 137, as amended. A license period begins on April 1 and ends on the following March 31 of each year.

Whoever violates this by-law shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in Section 141 of said Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Law adopted on May 2, 1987, under Article 4 to read as follows:

The Board of Selectmen may order from time to time a period when no person owning or keeping a dog in the town shall permit such dog to run at large except on the premises of the owner or keeper. The schedule of fines shall be as follows:

First offense within a calendar year	\$10.00
Second offense within a calendar year	\$15.00
Third offense within a calendar year	\$30.00
Fourth and subsequent offenses within a calendar year	\$50.00

The fines listed above shall be in addition to any boarding fees which may be charged under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a schedule of fees for those licenses, permits, certified copies, and other services provided by the Town Clerk's office, pursuant to the authority granted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 262, Section 34, and to codify these fees in a document entitled "Schedule of Fees" to be recorded and publicly posted in the Town Clerk's office, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Available Funds in the Treasury such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$ 29,375.00
Bonds	800.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves	700.00
Council on Aging	1,147.00
Dog Officer Expenses	150.00
Elections	774.00
Health, Board of	650.00
Heating Town Buildings	3,800.00
Inspector of Animals	150.00
Interest on Loans	5,000.00
Medicare & Retirement	8,000.00
Memorial Day	500.00
Office Expenses	4,000.00
Registrars of Voters	500.00
Retirement System	18,970.00
Street Lights	3,600.00
Street Lists	450.00
Town Counsel	10,000.00
Town Hall	4,000.00
Town Reports	2,000.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00

Unemployment Compensation	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	100.00
Veterans' Center	3,450.00
Workmen's Compensation	13,500.00
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	\$114,116.00

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the following accounts:

Accounting & Audit Service	\$ 2,750.00
Administrative Assistant/Accountant	26,384.00
Appeals, Board of	360.00
Conservation Commission	100.00
Employee Benefits	
Vacations, Holidays, etc.	11,500.00
Sick Leave	3,300.00
Highway Superintendent's Salary	28,560.00
Historical Commission	200.00
Insurance - Public Official Liability	2,928.00
Insurance - Property, Liability & Fleet	25,000.00
Office, Clerical	5,000.00
Planning Board Expenses	1,635.00
Police Chief's Salary	27,484.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	3,800.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	750.00
Town Officers	19,000.00
Treasurer's Expenses	1,100.00
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	\$159,851.00

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of \$16,500.00 (Fire Dept., \$750.00; Police Dept., \$3,500.00; Ambulance and Highway, \$12,250.00) to pay the fuel and oil costs for Town Vehicles, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,412.00 for Assessors' Expenses, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,837.20 to pay our share of the dispatching costs of the Franklin County Emergency Dispatch Center, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,027.91 in order to pay \$20,000.00

towards the principal (\$80,000) and \$5,027.91 of interest on the Fire Department Pumper/Tanker Loan, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,973.08 in order to pay \$15,000 towards the principal (\$39,750) and \$2,973.08 of interest on the Sewer Loan, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1991-1992 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District for direct expenditures.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1991-1992 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant funds to be accepted without local matching funds and to be expended by the Mohawk Trail Regional School District for direct service expenditures.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$515,121.85 (Operating, \$437,048.00; Capital Adjustment \$4,988.00; Vocational Brokering, \$73,085.85) to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1992 Capital, Operating and Vocational Brokering cost budget for the Mohawk Trail Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$451,283.00 to pay the Town's share of the Fiscal 1992 Operating cost budget of the Ashfield Plainfield Regional School District, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for Park & Beach operations and maintenance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,600.00 for a Lifeguard and swimming instruction for the Town Beach, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Ashfield Water District for the

use of hydrants for fire protection and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,693.52 for that purpose.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for a Reserve Fund, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 1990 Ambulance Earnings & Gifts in the amount of \$8,291.74 deposited in the Ambulance Maintenance Fund to be used to maintain and equip the Town Ambulance, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 for Fires & Equipment, or act relative thereto.

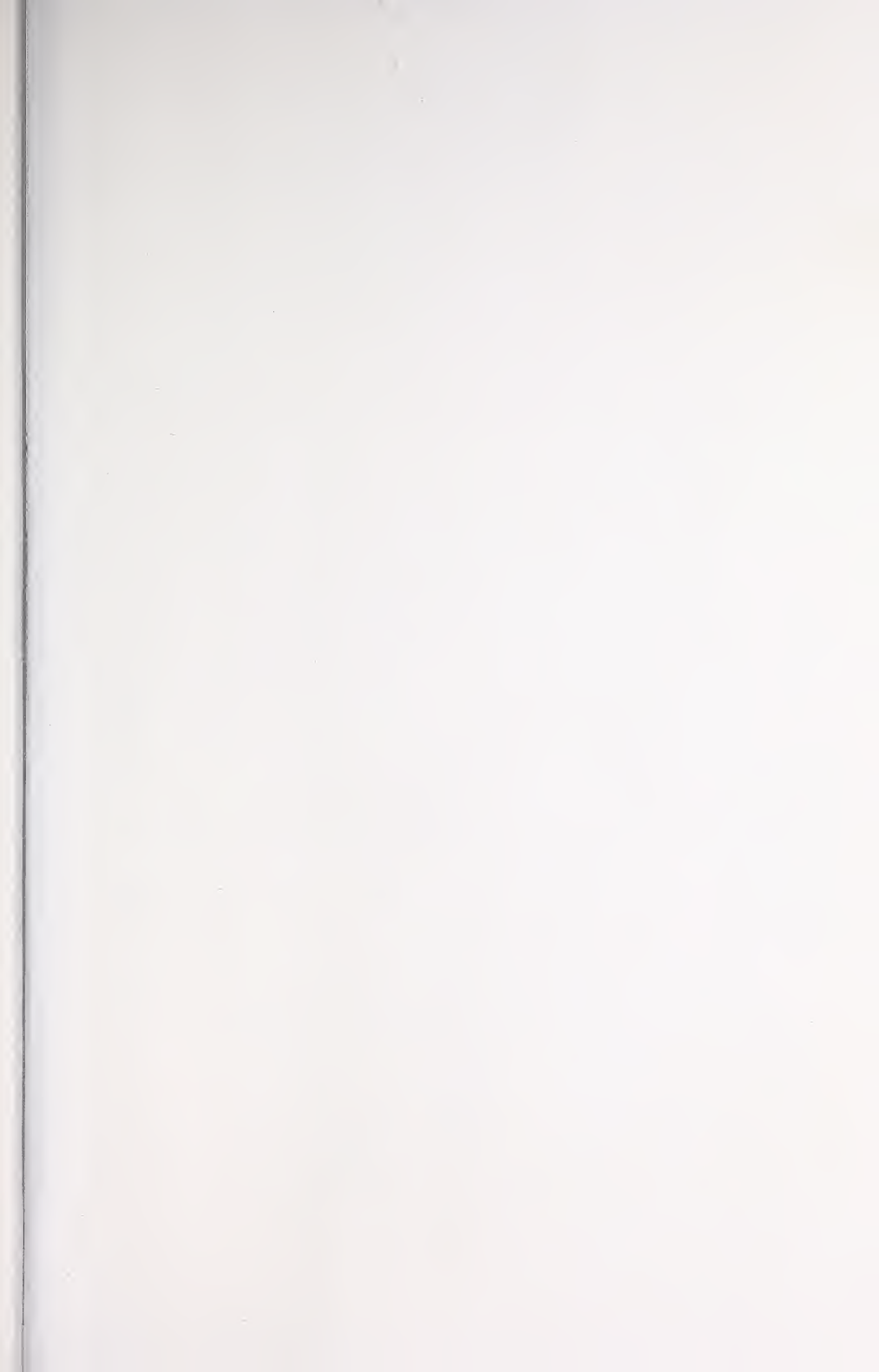
ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate not more than the sum of \$1,331.00 to pay the costs of insulation in the Fire Station, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see whether or not the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 291 of the Acts of 1990, thereby allowing the Town to receive Enhanced 911 service as defined in said Act and, if acceptance and notification to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of said acceptance occur on or before December 11, 1991, the Town will also receive at no cost to it, the benefits of Enhanced 911 network features and network components, including at least one public safety answering point, and any other Enhanced 911 network features that may be made available by the Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Board.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,450.00 to be used for the general operations of the Police Department, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,102.96 to pay Ashfield's share of the Franklin County Cooperative Building Inspector Program, or act relative thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,620.00 for the general operations of the Belding Memorial Library as well as to accept any other State or Federal Aid, or act relative thereto.









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